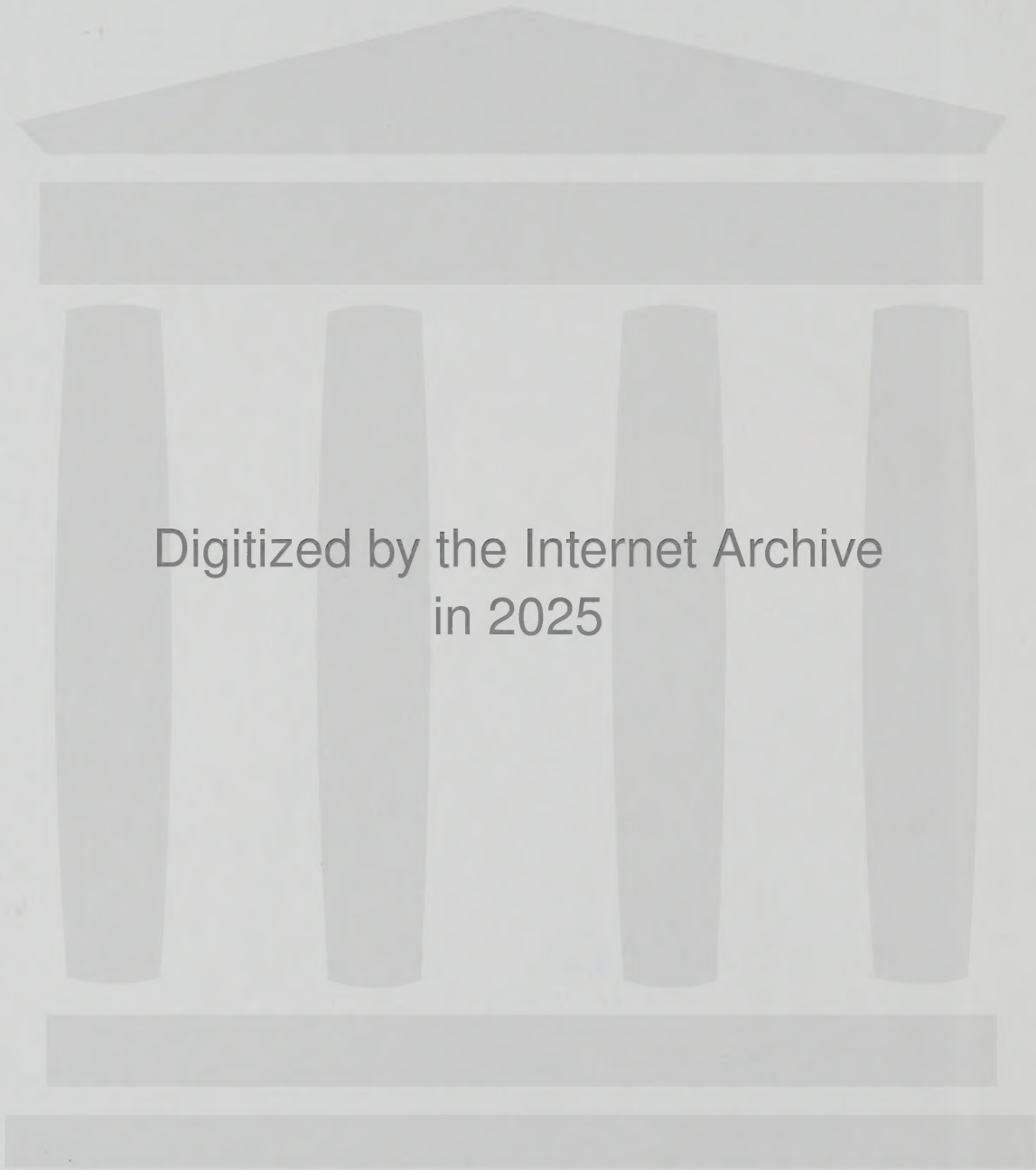
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David Lisle Rohm
Class of 1948

Compiled by:
Joyce Rohm Springer
Sister of David Lisle Rohm
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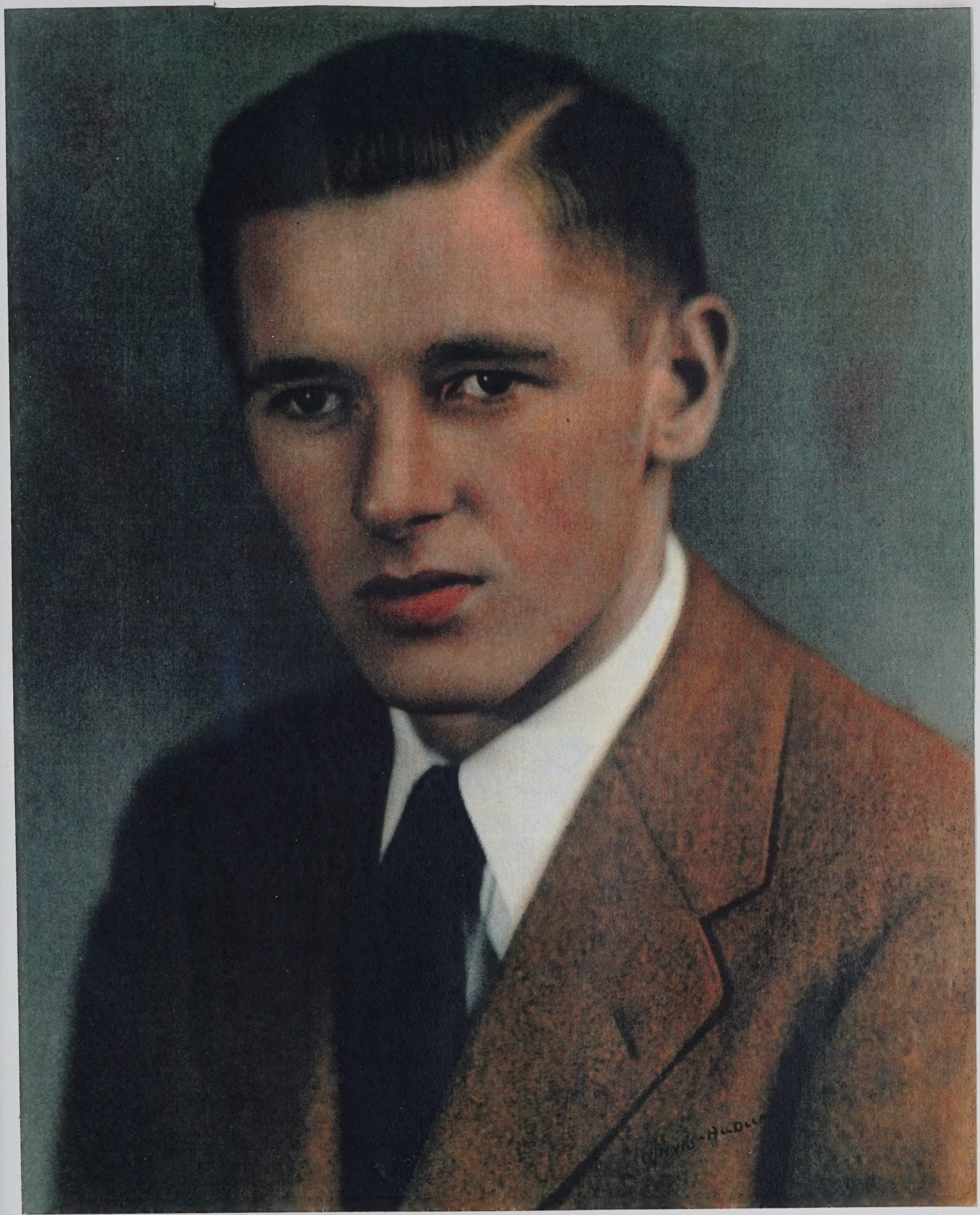
Auburn Red Devils
Class of 1948
Auburn High School
Auburn, Indiana

This book is
dedicated to my brother
David Lisle Rohm
by his sister Joyce Rohm Springer
1990



David Lisle Rohm's 1948 graduation picture from Auburn High School Auburn, Indiana.

David Lisle Rohm

School days
at
Harrison Grade School
and
Auburn High School
Auburn, Indiana

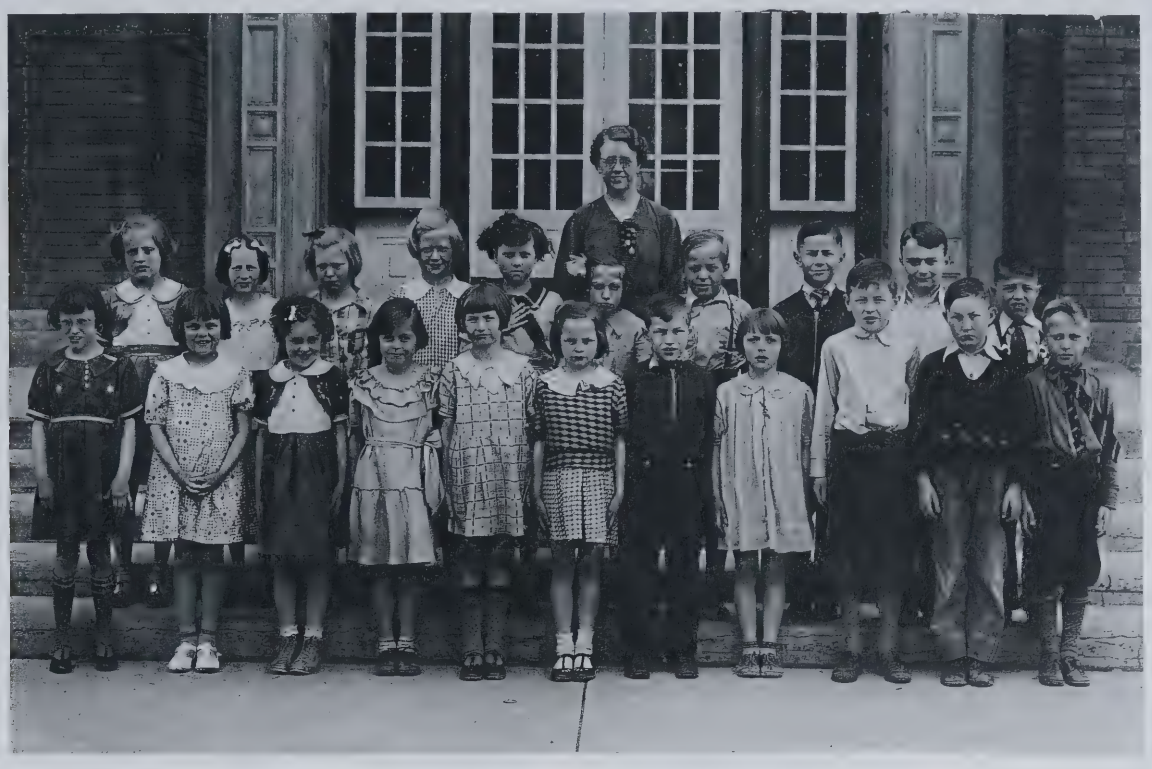
The First grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school
on Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana. The school year was 1935-1936.
The teacher was Miss Bertha Dobbrick.

The First grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on
Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1935-1936. The teacher
The teacher was Miss Bertha Dobbrick
My brother David is on the upper left
With a dot above his head.

Top row, L-R:
David Rohm _____, Wilma Humbert,
_____, _____,
_____, _____
and _____.

Middle row, L-R:
Paul Carbaugh, _____, _____,
_____, _____, _____.
_____, _____, _____
and Jack Refner

Bottom Row, L-R:
_____, Richard Kessler, _____,
_____, BettyTarter, Robert Derrow
and Dale Marshall



The Second grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on
Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1936-1937. The teacher
was Miss Ruth Hawk (Mrs. Ruth Showalter)

Top Row, L-R: Marilyn Peters, Jane Schooley, _____,
Mary Esther Kessler, Betty Wheeler, Miss Hawk, small girl
in front of Miss Hawk is Beverly Chorpenning, Donnard Ranney,
Ronald Armstrong, Wayne Stroh and Robert Derrow

Front row, L-R: Janet Potter, Mary Ann Quance, Marcile Haynes,
Clarice Gee, _____, _____,
Bob Shugart, Betty Tarter, David Rohm, Eugene Beaty
And Russell Chorpenning

The Third grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1937-1938.
The teacher was Miss Elizabeth Guild
Photograph was taken October 11, 1937

The Third grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on
Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1937-1938.
The teacher was Miss Elizabeth Guild
Photograph was taken October 11, 1937

Top row starting with Miss Guild. L-R: David Rohm, Eugene Beaty and Don Rice.

Middle row far left, L-R: _____,
Beverly Chorpenning, _____,
Barbara Corkwell, Mary Ester Kessler, _____,
Phyllis Thayer _____, and Vernon Scott.

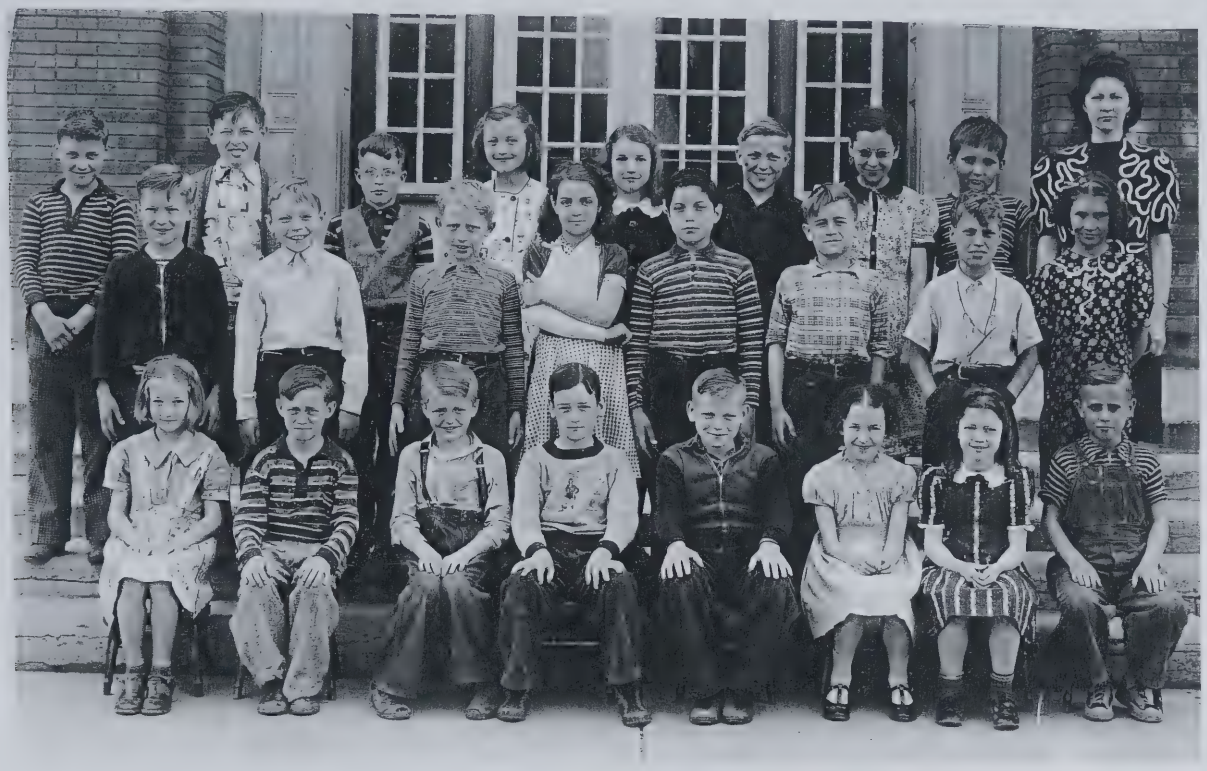
Bottom row, L-R: Jack Refner, Marcille Haynes Doris Axtell,
Wanita Humbert, Betty Tarter, _____,
Jane Schooley, _____and _____

The Fourth grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the north side of the school
Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1938-1939.
The teacher was Miss Walters

Top row, L-R: Dorcas Merryfield, Wayne Stroh, Wanita Humbert, Miss Walters, Marilyn Peters, Barbara Corkwell, Joyce Morgan, _____ and David Rohm.

Next row down, L-R: Mary Ester Kessler, Mary Ann Quance, Janet Potter, Phyllis Thayer, _____, Pat Walters, Bob Shugart and Russell Chorpenning

Bottom row, L-R: _____, _____, _____, Betty Tarter, Ed Strauss, Bud Bassett, Joyce Engle , _____, and _____



The Fourth grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the north side of the school on
The school year was 1939-1940.
The teacher was Miss Maxine Grossnickle

Top row, L-R: Robert Simanton, David Rohm, Paul Friedel, Beverly Wisemen, Dorothy Graham, Joe Kleeman, _____, Paul Rodecap and Miss Grossnickle

Middle row, L-R: Bob Scott, Don Smolinske, Jim Bashore, Betty Blevins, Forrest Scott, Hubert Kahler, Richard Tindall and Doris Axtell

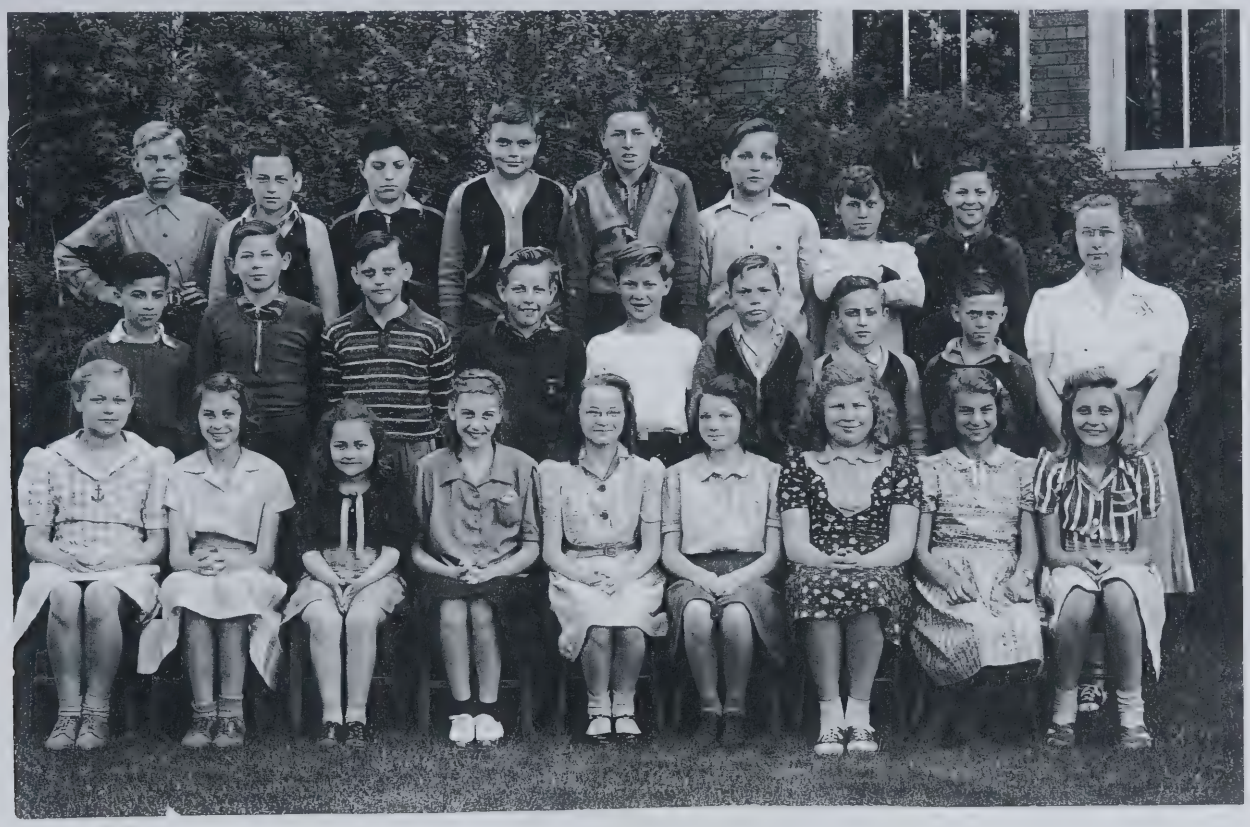
Bottom Row, L-R: Barbara Foster, Don Rice, _____, _____, Gene Glass, Ruth Wynne, Patricia Seymore and Marion Webb

The Fifth grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on
Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1940-1941
The teacher was Miss Manilla Damon
Photograph was taken May 13, 1941

Top row, L-R: Helen Smith Carol Kessler, Betty Haggerty, Joan Garns, Miss Damon, Beverly Wiseman, Eunice Jones, David Rohm, George Close and Fred Butler

Middle row, L-R: Lowell Davis, Alice Kieffer, Patricia Seymour, Barbara Gonser, Dana Eynon, Joan Palmer, Joe Kleeman and Forrest Scott

Bottom row, L-R: Dale Marshall, Irvin Rhoades, _____, Jack Refner, Bob Foster and Don Smolinski

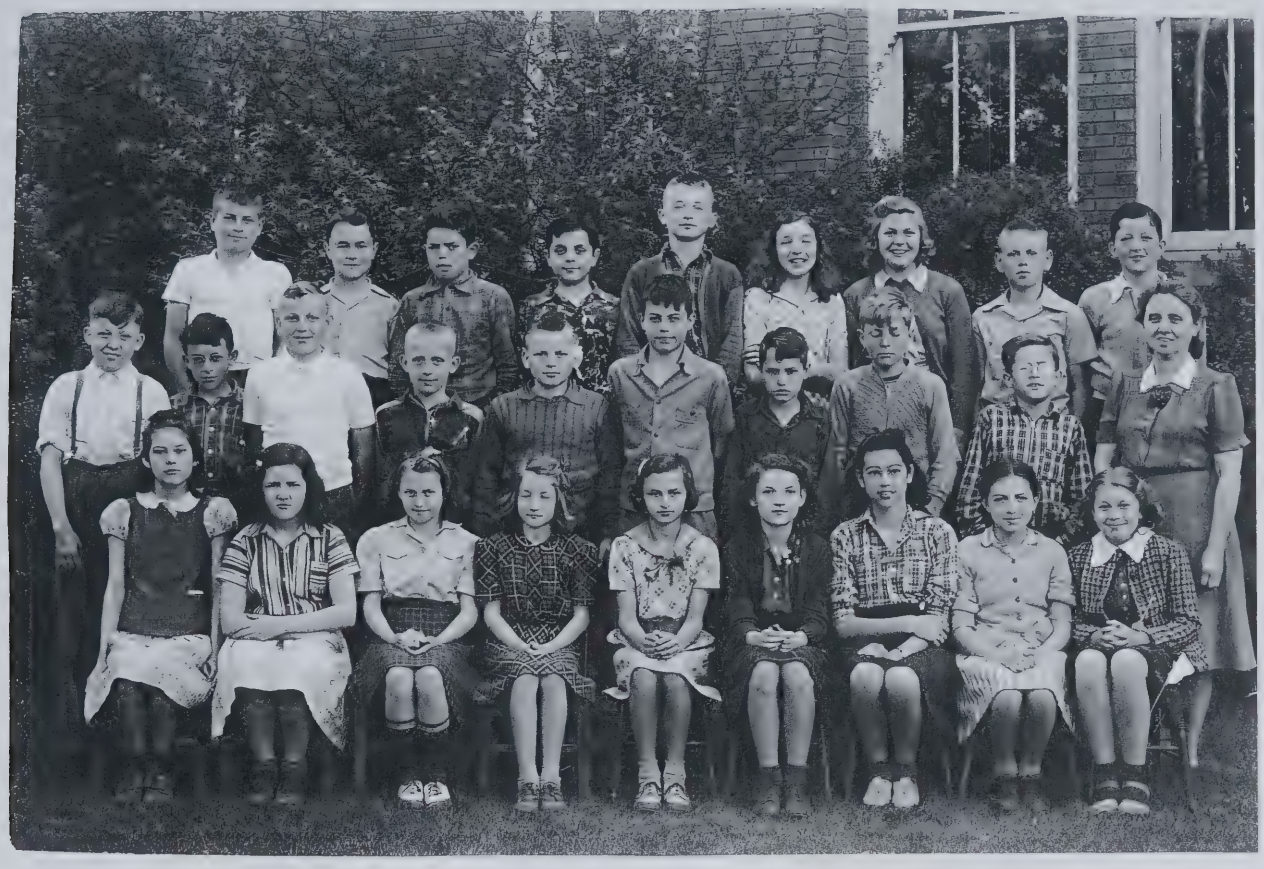


The Sixth grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on
Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1941-1942.
The teacher was Miss Kimmel

Top Row, L-R: Jack Refner, _____, Forrest Scott,
Jack Whitacre, David Rohm, Paul Rodecap, Richard Tindall
and Carl McNutt

Middle row, L-R: Irvin Rhoades, _____,
Dale Marshall, Donnard Ranney, Bob Scott,
Don Smolinske, Marion Webb, Don Rice and Mrs. Kimmel

Bottom row, L-R: Carol Kessler, Joan Palmer,
Pat Stebing, Helen Smith, Ruth Wynne, Suzanne Weathers,
Eunice Jones, Wanita Humbert and Frances Parker



The Sixth grade class at the Harrison Grade School.
The picture taken on the west side of the school on
Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.
The school year was 1941-194.2
Miss Alice Reed.
Hubert Kahler gave this picture of his
class to our family
He was a friend of my brother
David Rohm

Top row, L-R: Dick Kessler, Wilbur Brandon, Lowell Davis,
Gene Frederick, John Bower, Dorothy Graham,
Sue Alexander, George Close and Bill Cox.

Middle row, L-R: John Antrup, Norman Carr, Joe Kleeman,
Jim Bashore, Gene Glass, Fred Butler, Richard Blevins,
_____, Hubert Kahler, and Miss Read

Bottom row, L-R: Alice Kieffer, Patricia Seymour,
Ruth Clevinger, Barbara Foster, _____,
Betty Haggerty, Joan Garns Dana Eynon and Barbara Gonser

The west side of the Harrison Grade school on Indiana Avenue Auburn, Indiana.

Harrison School teachers

My brother David Lisle Rohm attended the Harrison Grade School Located on South Indiana Avenue on the east side of the street, Auburn, Indiana.

The Harrison building had its own gym. It was a lovely school. The pupils as a rule never used the Indiana Avenue entrance, but used the north and south entrances. Kindergarten through 3rd grade used the north entrance and also had their recess on the same side. Grades 4 through 6th grade used the south entrance and also had their recess on the same side.

These are the names of the teachers who taught during the 1940s when David attended Harrison school.

Kindergarten	Mrs. Naomi Feagler
First grade	Miss Dobbrick and Miss Dorothy Trabant.
Second grade	Miss Floyd and Miss Walters
Third grade	Mrs. Rose Means and Miss Elizabeth Guild
Fourth grade	Miss Maxine Grossnickle and Miss Kimmel
Fifth grade	Miss Manilla Damon and Miss Arvada Minick
Sixth grade	Miss Alice Reed and Miss Margaret Kelly

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Harrison Grade School

The Harrison school was located in the block bounded by Indiana Avenue, 12th street, 14th street and South Van Buren Street, the present site of the McKenney-Harrison School. In this photo is the West side of the building, the Indiana Avenue side. Taken 1974 by Roberta Andres.

The old Harrison Elementary was razed in 1930 and replaced by the new Harrison Grade School in 1931. The Harrison School was named after Professor Harrison who was at one time Superintendent of Schools.

The Harrison School is still being used as a grade school as of 2008.

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Research and description by Joyce Springer

Harrison Grade School on the Indiana Avenue east side of the building

Harrison Grade School

The Harrison School is located on South Indiana Avenue on the east side of the street between West 12th Street and West 14th Street Auburn, Indiana.
Picture taken by Davis Studio, Auburn

The old Harrison School was razed in 1930 and replaced by the new Harrison Grade School in 1931. The new school had its own gymnasium with a stage for plays and recitals. The gym was located on the east side of the building.

The Harrison School was named after Professor Harrison who was at one time the Superintendent of Schools.

The students usually only used the north and south entrances of the school. The west entrance on the Indiana Avenue side was the most beautiful.

Joyce R. Springer

Auburn Junior High School
Auburn Indiana

The Junior High School was located east of the Harrison School building on West 14th Street. It was a beautiful Victorian building. It was also Auburn High School until McIntosh High School was built. McIntosh High school was then called Auburn High School. It is located at 800 North Main Street.

The principal was Mr. Fred Zeigler when I went to school there in 1948-1949.

The7th and 8th grade teachers were as follows:

Mr. Lynn Holsinger	Mathematics
Miss Joanna Rhoads	English
Miss RubinetteRice	Home Economics
Mr. Harlan Moore	Social Science

The Auburn High School
Class of 1941
when they were in Junior High School

The Junior High School was located on West 14th Street
on the north side of the street, Auburn Indiana. It was formerly Auburn High School until McIntosh High School was built. Taken 1937 or 1938
As Auburn grew, the old Auburn High School soon became inadequate and the McIntosh High School was planned. The old High School was used as a Junior High School, grades seven and eight, until it was razed in the 1950s in order to build the McKinney Junior High School.

Very back row, L-R:
Gerald Kraus, Raymond Close, Paul Walter, C. Collins, Elizabeth Schooley, Eugene Grubb, Judith Buchanan, A. Smith, Gretchen Myles, Alice Boger, Mr. Fred Zeigler Principal, and Ferne Cripe.

Next row down, L-R:
Arthur Baughman, Homer Abel, Jack Thacher, Mary Alice Schwartz, Barbara Short, Lois Ruth Mains, Mildred Johnson and Martha Croy

Bottom row, L-R:
Roy Carlson, Richard Ridlin, Hubert Geisinger, Robert Eckhart, George Broderick, Ralph Muzzillo, Robert "Smiley" Maxwell, Robert Beard, _____, Hildamae Mitchener and Betty Schaab

Athlete Dies

AUBURN, Nov. 3.—Funeral services for Earl Carr, 17, junior in the Auburn high school, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Carr, who died last night from injuries received last Saturday in a football game between Auburn and Garrett, will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the Church of Christ, with Rev. G. L. Fisher officiating. Burial will be made in Woodlawn cemetery.

The active pall bearers will be Carlton Brandon, Laurence Wible, Paul Whittington, Robert Beaty, Raymond Scott and Pierre Talbert, members of the football, basketball and track teams with Earl, and the honorary pall bearers will be other members of athletic groups in the high school.

Out of respect for the deceased and his family the junior-senior high school play, "Here Comes Charlie," scheduled for Thursday and Friday nights, has been postponed.

AUBURN GRID PLAYER DIES

Nov. 2—1937

Abdominal Injuries Fatal to Earl Carr

(Special to The Journal-Gazette)

AUBURN, Nov. 2.—Earl Carr, 17 son of Mr. and Mrs. George Carr o this city, died at 7:15 o'clock tonigh at Sanders hospital of abdominal injuries received in the football game between the Auburn and Garrett high schools here last Saturday afternoon.

Carr, an end on the football team and a center on the basketball team didn't appear to be seriously injured until this noon when he was rushed to the hospital. After he was taken out of the game Saturday he was taken home and remained there until this noon when his condition became so grave that it was necessary to remove him to the hospital.

He was an outstanding athlete at Auburn high school and was popular with his classmates. He was a junior in school. He is survived by his parents. No funeral arrangements have been made as yet.

YMCA Swimming Pool—Swimmers of 1943

Top Row, left to right:

Norma Musser, Lois Timbrook, Barbara Gonser, Helen Blevins, Virginia Blevins,
Betty Wyne, Patricia Haines, Valera Krick, Frances Parker, Mary Bullock, Donna Bassett,
Nila Walters, Donna Musser, Beryl Widdicomb, Jane Krick, Estelle Purdy,
Joan Mochamer, _____and Judy Brown

Next row down, left to right:

Jane Griffith, Mary Alice Schooley, Karen Bisel, Donna Lou Reynolds, Marsha Main
Mary Elizabeth Gengnagel, Margaret Sellers, Katrina Snyder, Patricia Sockrider,
Yvonne Harry, Mary Ann Quance, Mattie Main, Lou Ann Gearhart, Barbara Bauer,
Carolyn Gonser, Barbara Dickinson, Janet Boren and Phyllis Hidy.

Sitting on the edge of the pool, left to right

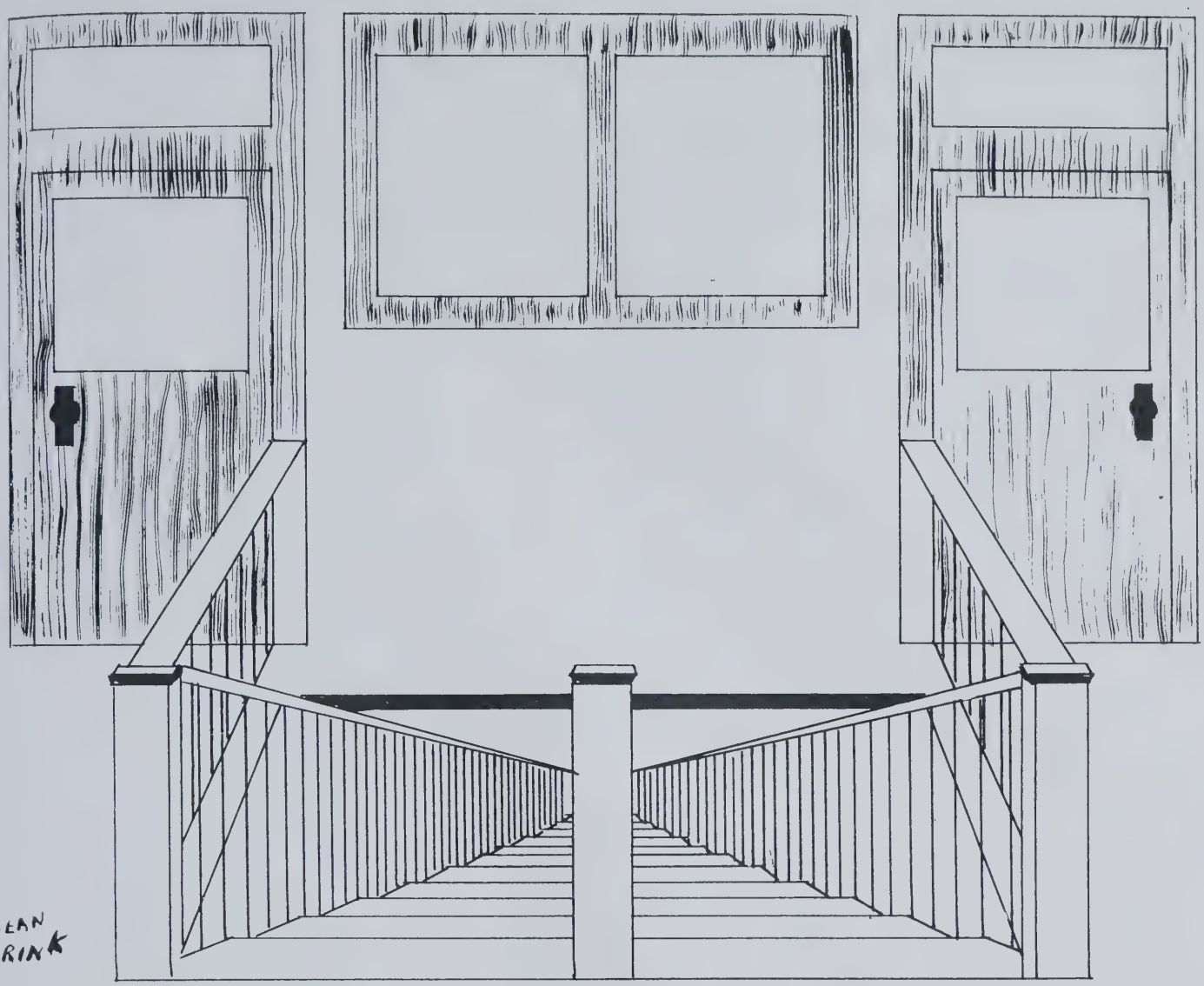
_____, _____,_____, Betty Lou Campbell,
Nancy Jo Pfefferal, Margaret Peckhart, Charlotte Treadwell,
Virginia Grogg, Bonnie McNutt, Beverly Blevins, Rita Jan Weinert, Marilyn Kail,
Sue Webb, Judy Barnhart, _____. _____, Georgia Huber,
Mary Ann Chapman, Helen Quance, Virginia Walters and Betty Bauer

Riley Grade School
Located on the Northeast corner
Of
First and Van Buren Streets.

Riley Grade School

The school was located at the northeast corner of North Van Buren and First streets, Auburn, Indiana. Taken in1912. Photographer unknown.

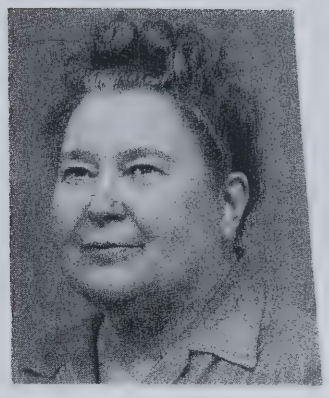
The Riley School was razed in 1963 and made into a park.



Administration

This is a drawing of the grand old stairway that was removed in the 1960's. When you entered the school on the Main Street side, you could use these stairs to go to a class room or administrative office. They were in the middle of the hallway.
When you were at the top of the stairway you could turn right then right again and to go Principal Lloyd Miller's office. When you turned to the left then left again, you could go to Superintendent McKinney's office. There were also classrooms on each side when going to either Administrator's offices. This drawing has been taken from the 1961 Follies year book Auburn High School. I was in school when Mr. Miller and Mr. McKinney were the administrators.
Joyce R. Rohm Springer

Auburn High School Teachers
1948



MISS MAUDE ARMSTRONG
A.B.

English
Michigan State Normal College
Syracuse University

Hobby: Outdoor activities

MR. JOHN W. ROSE
A.B., M.S.

Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics
Tri-State College
Hiram College
Indiana University

Hobby: Reading

MRS. ARTELLA TETER
A.B.

Mathematics
Indiana University
Manchester College

Hobby: Reading

MR. FRANK WEATHERS
A.B.

Social Science
Muncie Normal
University of Chicago
Indiana University
DePauw University

Hobby: Fishing, bowling, and pitching horseshoes

MR. LLOYD W. MILLER
A.B., M.A

Social Science
University of Michigan

Hobby: Extracurricular activities at school

MISS CAROL M. DAWSON
A.B

English and Latin

Tri-State College
Indiana University
University of Chicago
University of Southern California

Hobby: Traveling, cooking, music and reading

MR. CLYDE M. GUMPP
B M

Commercial

Manchester College
Indiana University
Drake University
Ball State Teachers College

Hobby: Fishing and shop working

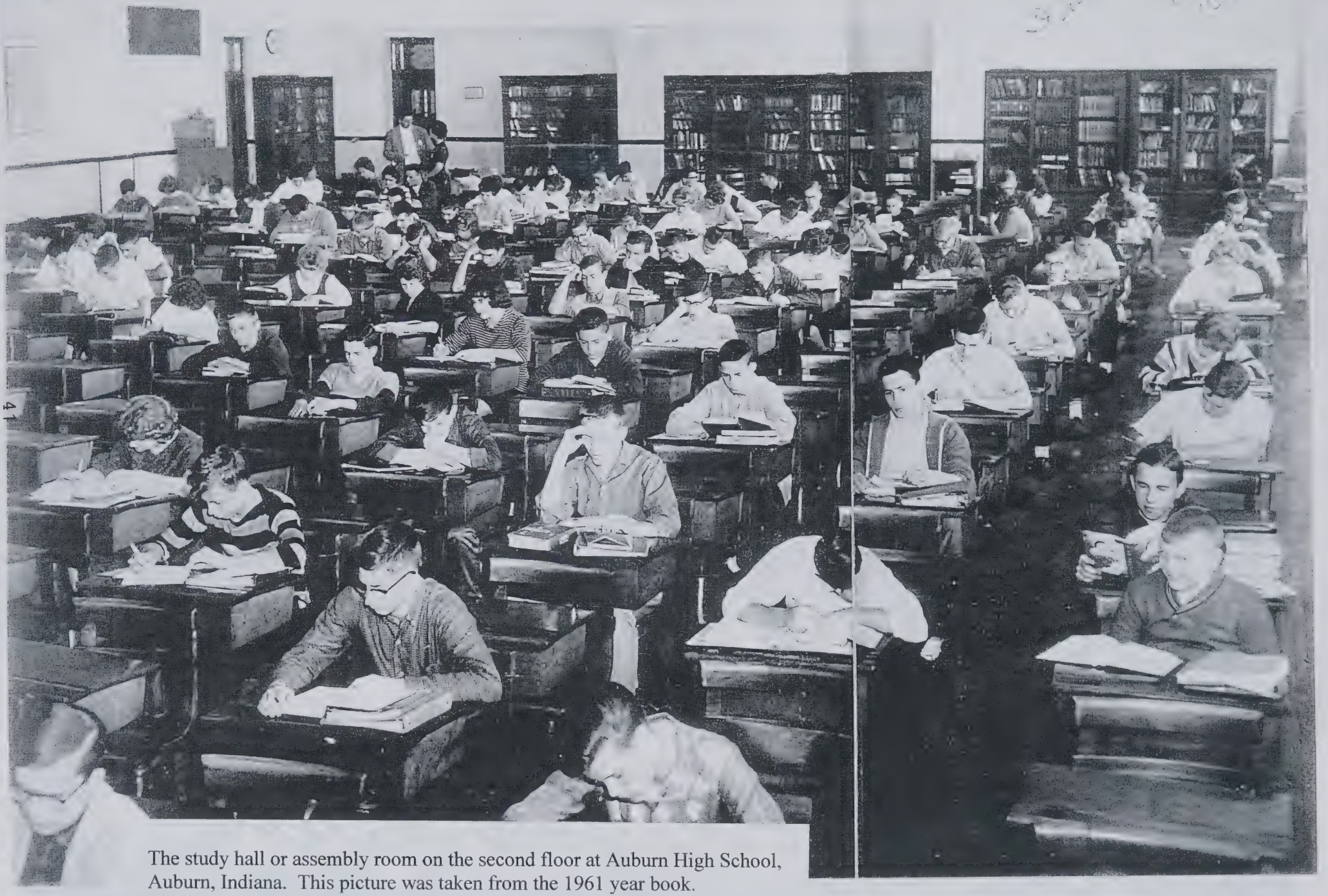
MR. CECIL E. YOUNG
A.M., M.S

Physical Education
Driver's Training
Football and Track Coach

DePauw University
Indiana University
Purdue University
Illinois Univesity
Wisconsin University
University of Michigan

Hobby: Fishing, hunting and reading

The Study Hall or assembly room on the second floor at Auburn High School, Auburn, Indiana. This picture was taken from the 1961 Follies, the year book at AHS.



The study hall or assembly room on the second floor at Auburn High School, Auburn, Indiana. This picture was taken from the 1961 year book.

The Class of 1948 Auburn High School Auburn, Indiana taken on the south side of the school by Miles Studio. This is the first half of the picture. The other half is on the next page. Taken 1948

Top row, L-R:
Forrest Scott, Richard Balzer, Jack Refner, Paul Merriman, Edgar Grimm, John Bower, Ronald Brown, Robert Hodge, Joe Kleeman, Dale Sink, Alice Kiefer, Joan Garns, Kenneth Edsall (partially hidden) Betty Haggerty, Helen Smith, Bill Cox (partially hidden) Patricia Seymour, David Rohm and Dorothy Graham

Middle row, L-R:
Barbara Gonser, Betty Haggerty, Joan Palmer, Patricia White, Ruth Wynne, _____, _____, Glenda Marsh, Suzanne Weathers, Barbara Dickinson, Barbara Lewis, Carol Kessler, Barbara Foster and Joan Parrett.

Bottom row, L-R:
Wayne Boyd, Dale Billings, Don Smolinske, Jack Thomas, Richard Martin, Robert Manon, Don Rice, Fred Butler, Gene Glass, Eugene Frederick, Bob "Skip" Scott, Harold Carmer, William Bennett and Marion Webb

Miles' Auburn
Studio

The Class of 1948 Auburn High School Auburn, Indiana taken on the south side of the school by Miles Studio. This is the first half of the picture. The other half is on the next page. Taken in 1948

Very top row, L-R: _____ and Dorothy Graham.

Middle row, L-R: Ruth Clevenger, Patricia Stebing, Eunice Jones And Donna Heffler

Bottom row, L-R: Richard Blevins, Richard Seigel, Dean Hardy, Paul Rodecap, Paul Carbaugh and Irvin Rhoades

The Canteen at the YMCA, Auburn, Indiana. It was a place where Auburn High School students could have meetings and hang out. The Canteen opened in 1945. Photo I

Canteen Photo I is numbered for Identification.

The Auburn Canteen
at the YMCA
North Main Street
Auburn, Indiana
1945
Photo I

1. Norman Gearhart
2. Ervin Patrick
3. Joan Walters
4. Alice Kieffer
5. Rose Ann Kraus
6. Bessie Hathaway
7. Kenneth Edsall
8. Marian Browand
9. Betty Kelly
10. Betty Haggerty
11. Barbara Gonser
12. Max Glass
13. Franklin "Bud" Bassett
14. Betty Wells
15. Alfred Bobay
16. David Rohm
17. Ronald Brown
18. George Dickerson
19. Gene Glass
20. Joe Donaldson
21. Richard Bauer
22. Jim Schooley

The Canteen at the YMCA on North Main Street on the east side of the street, Auburn, Indiana. The Canteen opened in 1945 for Auburn High School students only. They had dances and other after school activities at the canteen. Aren't these kids great?
Photo II

The Canteen in 1945. Photo II
Numbers are used for identification

The Auburn Canteen
at the YMCA
North Main Street
Auburn, Indiana
1945
Photo II

1. Robert Martin
2. Joe Kleeman
3. Richard Martin
4. Kenneth Edsall
5. Ed Strauss
6. John Quinlan
7. Jim Schooley
8. Paul King
9. Betty Haggarty
10. _____
11. Barbara Gonser
12. Betty Kelly
13. Franklin "Bud" Bassett
14. Betty Wells
15. David Rohm
16. Ronald Brown
17. Alfred Bobay
18. George Dickerson
19. Gene Glass
20. Joe Donaldson

Auburn High School students sitting on the steps of the YMCA, located on North Main Street Auburn, Indiana. This was taken 1945. The Canteen was a great place for Auburn High School students to have fun and hang out.
Photo III

Wayne Muzzillo

Joe Kleeman

Norman Gearhart

Betty Vallieu

Jane Griffith

James Sprague

David Rohm

Alan Michael

Richard Brandon

Richard Martin

John Chorpenning

Sitting on the steps at the YMCA
Photo III

1. Richard Brandon
2. Joe Kleeman
3. Wayne Muzzillo
4. Richard Martin
5. Norman Gearhart
6. ?
7. Betty Vallieu
8. Jane Griffith
9. James Sprague
10. John Chorpenning
11. David Rohm
12. Alan Michael

Sitting on the YMCA steps in 1945.
Photo III that is numbered for
Identification

Harrison School in the 1930s
Indiana Avenue side of school.

Harrison School
Indiana Avenue side
Year taken_____

Front row, L - R

Shirley Widney, Marjorie Timbrook, Joyce Wiley, Margaret Grogg, Betty Jean Rufner, Wanda Tallen, Mary McCombs, Francis Schooley, Garnet Pfister, Betty Prichard, Jane Potter, Loma Musser, Helen Walters, Lois Kelly, Phyllis Getts, Willa Tobey, Dorothy Muzzillo and June Rose Dorsch

Second row up, L - R

Betty Stebing, Jeanette Cox, Dorthea Walker, Louise Wilson, Reida Searfoss, Betty Waterford, Lois Rodecap, Mary Williamson, Lois Robbins, Patricia Patrick, Joanna Morr, Jean Renner, _____, _____, Patricia Drummond, Peggy Brown, _____, Beverly Guild, Ameda Burns, Dorothy Johnson, June Gillespie, Eva Biebrick and Eleanor Johnson

Third row up, L –R

_____, James Stebing, Eugene Simanton, Robert Ball, Robert Clark, Walter Kail, Frank Baird, Howard McDaniel, Jack Kelly, Keith Barnhart, William Kuhlman, Robert Kreider, Billy Hankinson, Donald Souder, Wayne Rennecker,Eugene Shambaugh, Jane Hendrickson, Marcella Rohm and _____.

Top row, L – R

Boy in white shirt- Eugene Butler, Wilbur Pfierman, Jay Hodson, Don Sharp, _____, Bob Kessler, Everett Yoder, Ray Dilgard, Fred Gee, Bob Mochamer, Richard Moody, LeRoy Cool, Carl Seigel, Bob Van Zile, Richard Robinson, Ben Garrison, DuWayne Donley, Jack Moliter, Leon Burns, Ralph Smith and Pauline Farver

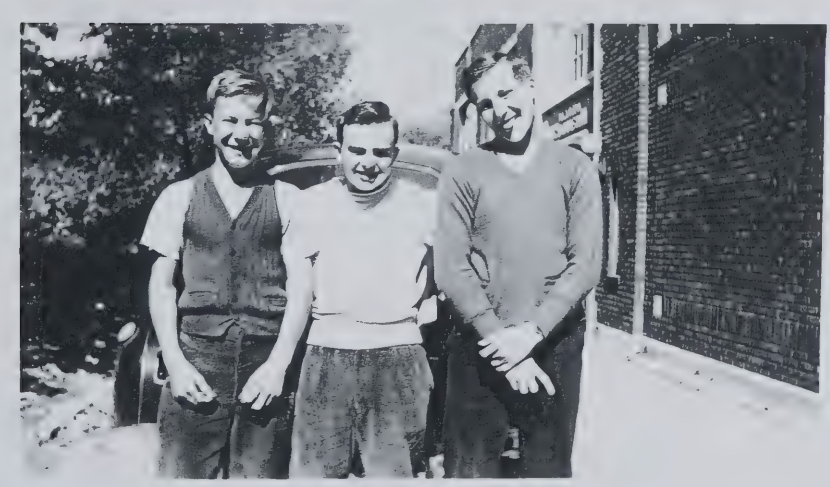
M E
1945

Taken at the YMCA
Auburn, Indiana
Circa:

Very back row, L-R:
Herb Workman, Mr. Holdeman, _ _____, Bob Kokenge,
Ted Messenger, Snip Snyder, Jim Schooley, Jim Bashore and Bob Browand

Next row down, L-R:
Wayne Openlander, Don Derrow, Bob Seigel, Wayne Muzzillo (seated at the table on the left)
Max Reynolds (seated at the back of the table on the right side), boy standing in front of
Jim Schooley is _____, boy seated on the left front of the table is Bud McComb,
boy seated on the front right side of table is Ted Miller, then Theo Webb, Jack Wappes,
Cal Grosscup and Robert Freeman

Bottom row, L-R:
_____, Clarence Gillespie, Roger Wertenberger, Bob Bates,
_____and Jack Mochamer



Upper right, L-R:
David Rohm, Max "Huck" Reynolds and Ronald Brown having fun at the Canteen

Middle right, L-R:
Paul King, David Rohm, Bob "Skip" Scott and Dick Zehner
Taken in 1945 at the northwest corner of Jackson and 9th Streets.
Lower right, L-R:
Bob"Skip" Scott, Jack Thomas and Paul Rodecap

PROGRAM FOR 1948 GRADUATING CLASS

Large Crowd Expected to Attend Commencement in Auburn Wednesday Night—Dr. M. B. McFall to Speak

Preparations have been completed for the commencement exercises of the Auburn high school to be held at the Alumni gymnasium in this city at 8 o'clock Wednesday night.

The class roll this year consists of 61 seniors, 10 less than in the year 1947. The four honor students in the group this year are Joan Garns, Alice Kieffer, Betty Haggarty and Suzanne Weathers.

The program for the commencement will be as follows:

Processional, "Pomp and Circumstance," Elgar, School band.

Overture, "Tales from Vienna Woods," Strauss, school band.

Invocation, Rev. Hubert F. Craven.

"Keep on Hopin,'" Maxwell, and "Trees," Deis, by the girls' chorus.

Address, "Steps Toward Maturity," Dr. Merril B. McFall.

"Argentina," Buchtel, school band.

Class roll, Principal L. W. Miller.

Awarding of diplomas, Alpha Pi chapter of Kappa Kappa scholarship award, Business and Professional Women's club awards and Rotary club awards by Superintendent H. L. McKenney.

"May Day Carol, English Folk Tune," girls' chorus.

Benediction, Rev. Hubert F. Craven.

The class roll consists of the following:

Harry Balzer, Daniel W. Bender, William Bennett, Dale Billings, Richard Blevins, John Bower, Wayne Boyd, Ronald Brown, Fred Butler, Paul Carbaugh, Harold Carmer, William Cox, Kenneth Edsall, Eugene Frederick, Gene Glass, Edgar Grimm, Donner W. Grogg, Dean Hardy, Robert Hodge, Joseph Kleeman, Robert Manon, Richard Martin, Paul Merriman, George Olinger, Oronzo Palumbo, Jack Refner, Irvin Rhoads, Don Rice, Paul Rodecap, David Rohm, Bob Scott, Forrest Scott, Richard Seigel, Dale Sink, Don Smolinske, Jack Thomas, Eugene M. Wattier, Marion Webb, Jack F. Whitacre.

Joan Boger, Marion Browand, Ruth Clevenger, Barbara Dickenson, Barbara Foster, Joan Garns, Barbara Gonser, Dorothy Graham, Betty Haggarty, Carole Heffley, Donna Heffley, Eunice Jones, Alice Kieffer, Barbara Lewis, Joan Palmer, Joan Parrett, Patricia Seymour, Helen Smith, Patricia Stebing, Suzanne Weathers, Betty Wells, Patricia White.

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Coach Keith Showalter standing
in front of Auburn High School
Auburn, Indiana
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Auburn Red Devils
1944-1945
Basketball team

Top row, L-R:
Dave Miller-team manager, Class of 1945,
Ronald Armstrong-Class of 1947, Loren Griffith- Class of 1945,
Coach Dale Showalter, Jim Carper-Class of 1945, Bernard Broderick-Class of 1946
and Robert Martin- Class of 1946

Bottom row, L-R:
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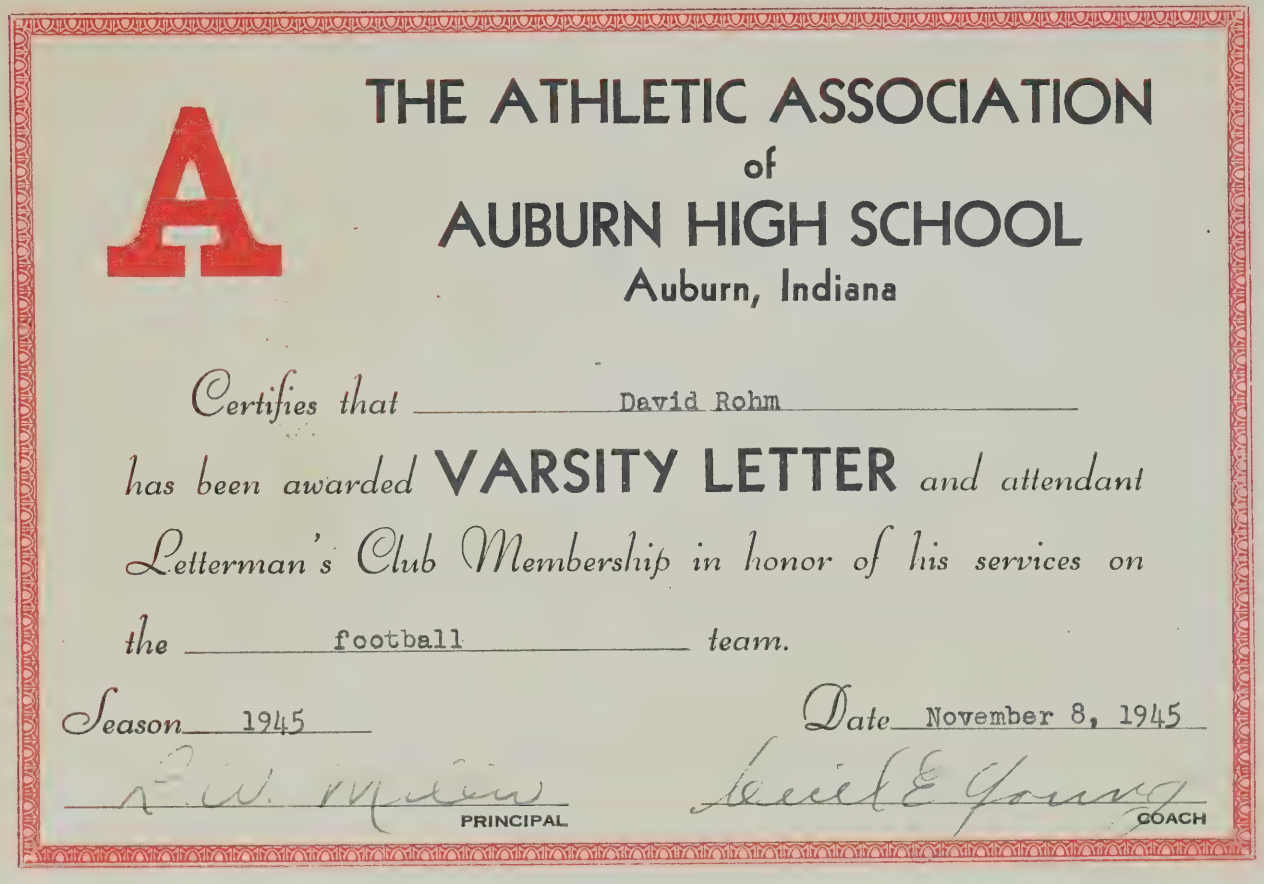

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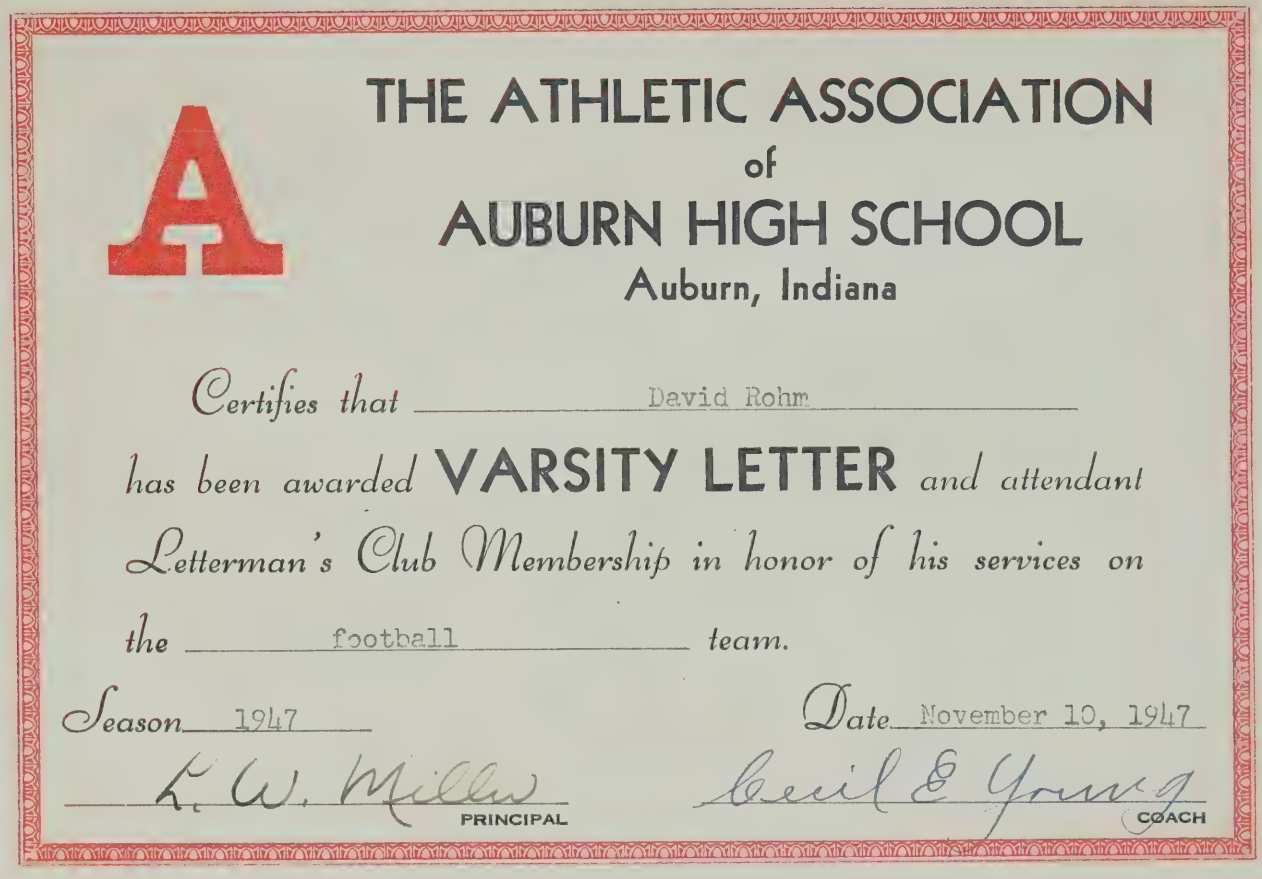

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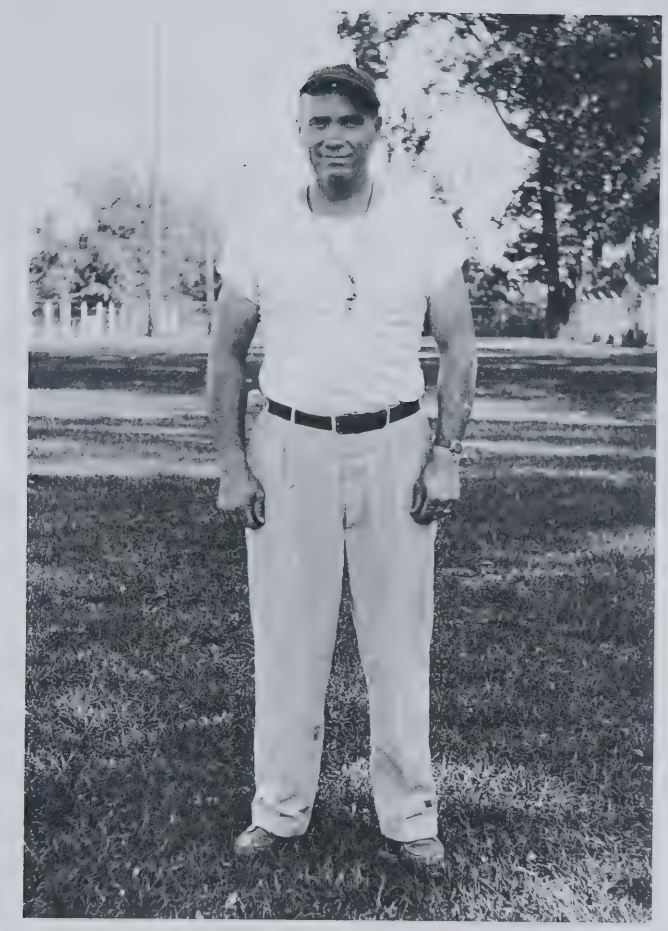

Coach Cecil "Zeke" Young
Football season 1946-1947

Auburn High School
Football Season 1946-1947
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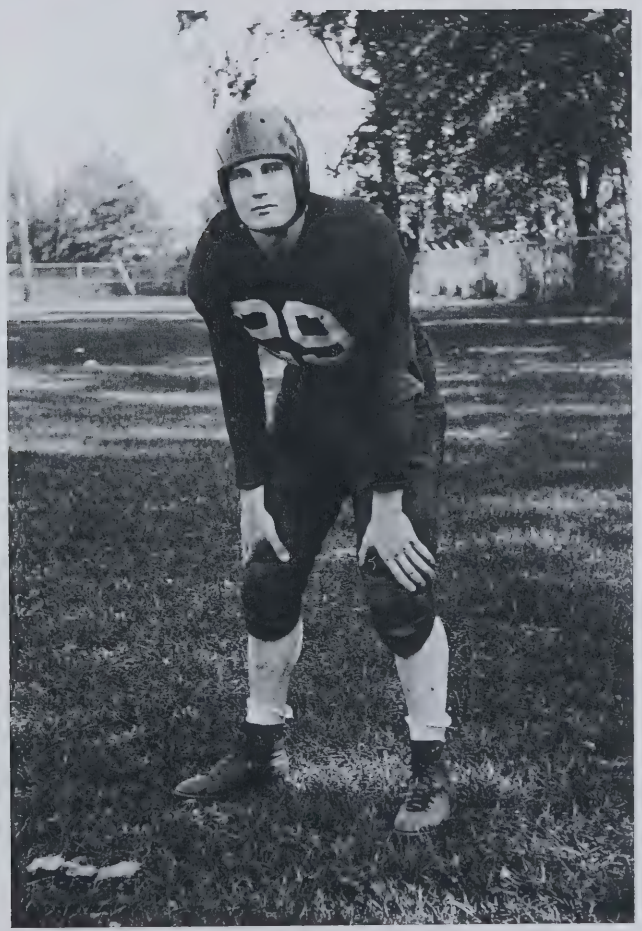

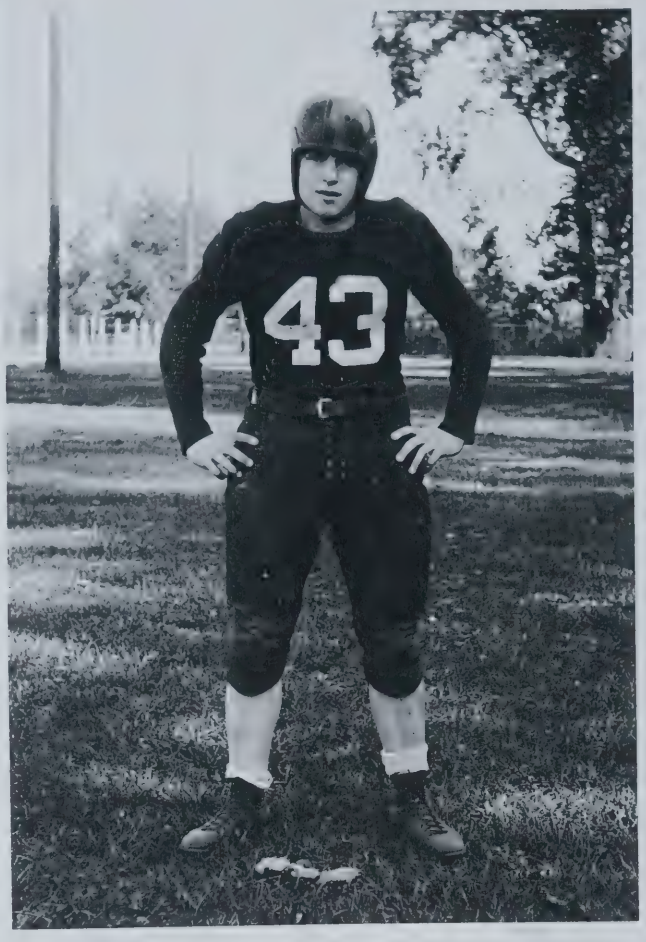

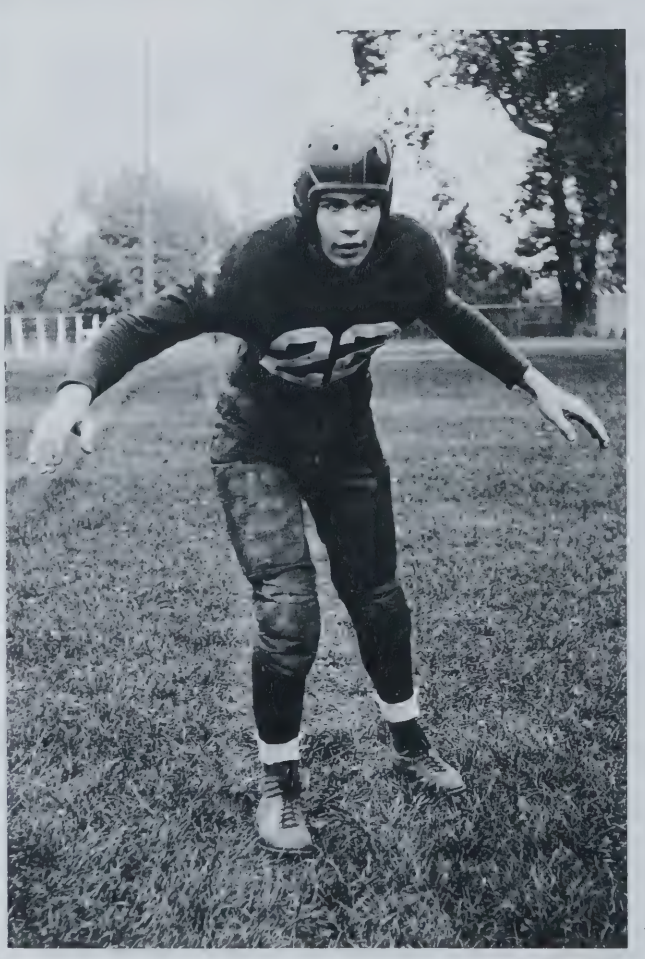

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Football Season 1946-1947
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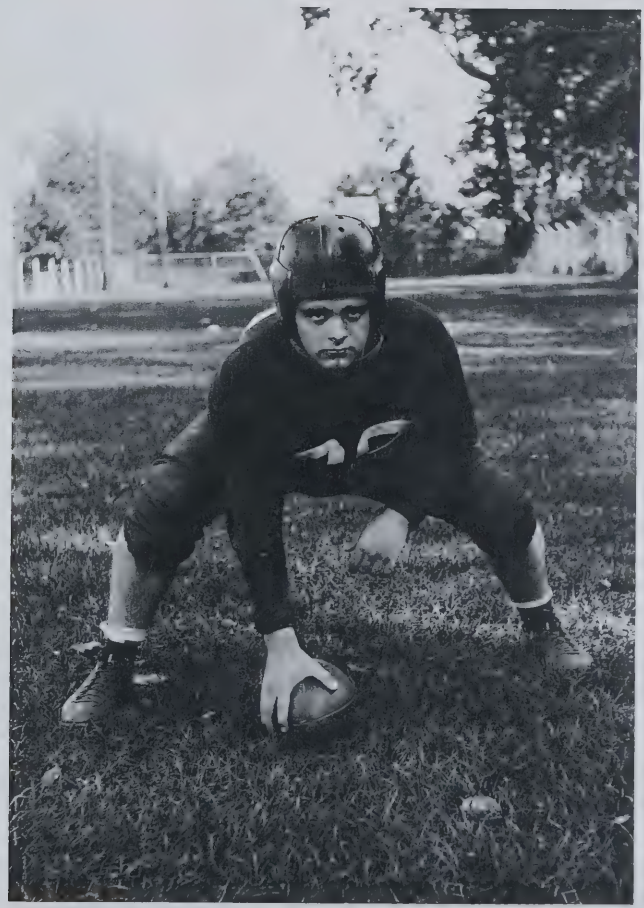

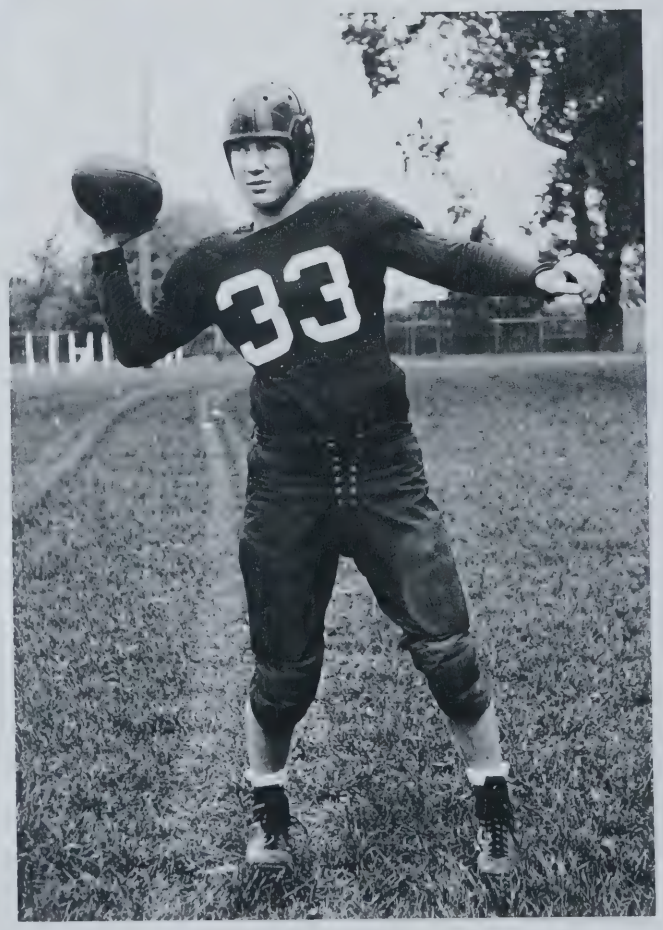

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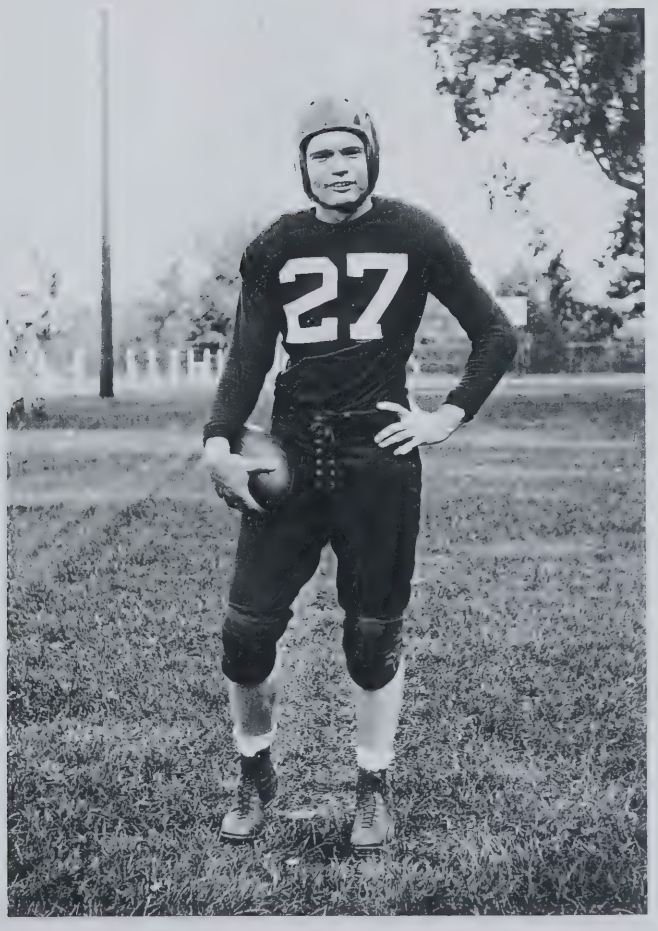

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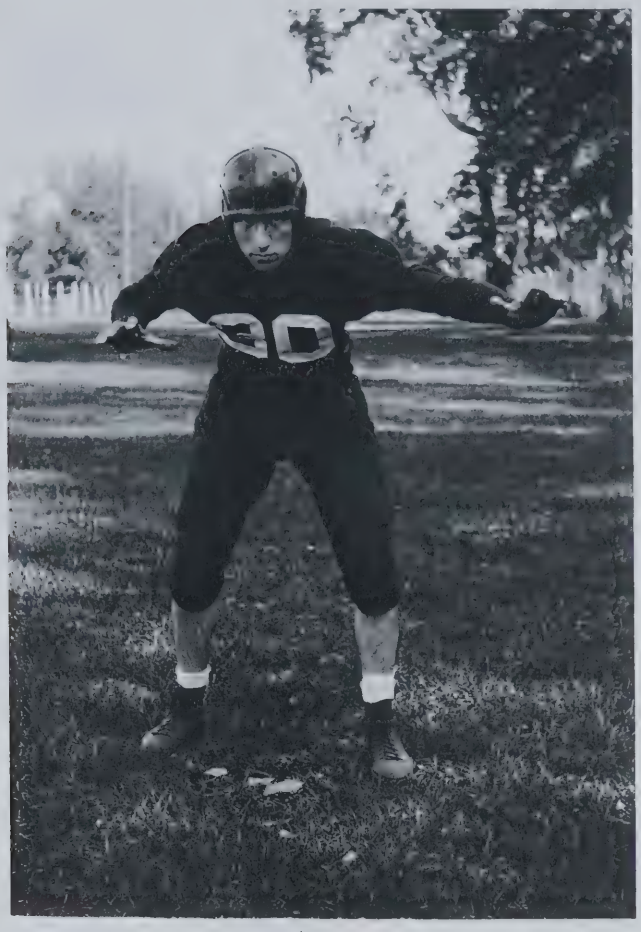

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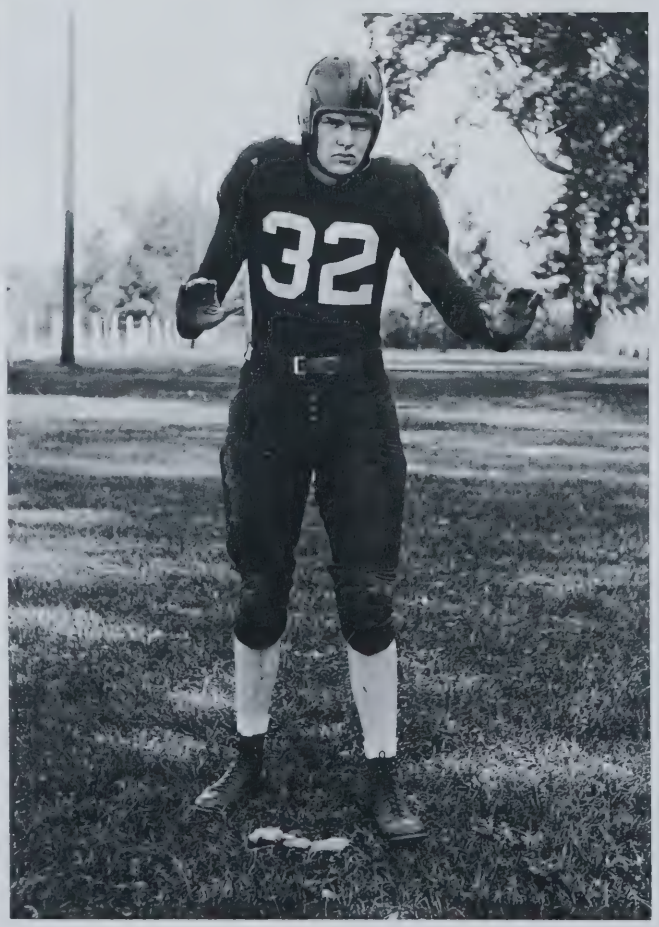

Auburn High School
Football Season 1946-1947
Upper: David Rohm
Lower: Dale Sink

Auburn High School
Football Season 1946-1947
L-R: Don Smolinskie, John Bower,
Bob "Skip" Scott and Fred Butler

Auburn High School
The grand old school
Goodbye

McINTOSH SCHOOL

FAREWELL CELEBRATION

May 18, 1997

A Salute to a Grand Old School

FAREWELL PROGRAM - 2:30 p.m.

Welcome
Mr. Scott Clay, Principal, McIntosh Elementary

National Anthem
Ms. Kelly Allen, McIntosh Elementary, Class of '91

Remarks
Dr. Keith Perry, Superintendent, DeKalb Central Schools
Mayor Norman Rohm, Auburn High School, Class of '47
Mr. Dave Wolff, McIntosh Elementary Principal, 1975 - 1996

Children's Choir
McIntosh Rockers and 4th/5th Grade Students

Invitation
Mr. Scott Clay

The PTO of McIntosh Elementary wishes to thank the following people and businesses for helping make today's celebration possible:

Dr. Keith Perry and the central office staff
Mr. Scott Clay, McIntosh teachers and staff

Renaissance Publishing Co.	Taylor Rental
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And the many alumni and McIntosh parents
who donated their time and talents

1996 - 1997 PTO Officers
Julie Stackhouse - President
Ann Long - Vice President
Kathy Fuller - Secretary
Barbara Olenyik Morrow - Treasurer

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

2:00 p.m.	Welcoming of Guests School open for touring Yearbooks/memorabilia on display in gym. Train rides for children around school grounds
	"Tales of Auburn High" - stories by local humorist and author Hubert Stackhouse - first floor, Mrs. Hundagen's first-grade classroom
2:30 p.m.	Farewell program - gym
3:00 p.m.	Games - playground
	"Teacher/Staff Reunion Room" opens - first floor, Mrs. Kaiser's first-grade classroom
	"Salute to the Athletes and Coaches Room" opens - first floor, Music Room
	"More Tales of Auburn High" - stories by Hubert Stackhouse - first floor, Mrs. Hundagen's first-grade classroom
3:15 p.m.	"Rock 'N Roll with Dr. Steve Butler" - musical performance for all ages - first floor, Mrs. Turner's kindergarten room
3:30 p.m.	"Alumni Hangout" - gathering spot for alumni to share their memories - first floor, Mrs. Hundagen's first-grade classroom
4:00 p.m.	Auburn Community Band under the direction of Richard Norris, former Auburn High School band director - playground
4:30 p.m.	Activities end

By the second decade of the twentieth century, Auburn was a thriving, bustling community, and local residents, proud of the newly opened Eckhart Public Library, began thinking about other civic improvements – particularly a new high school. Desiring to show his commitment to public education, William H. McIntosh, a respected Auburn educator, donated land for a new school in 1916, the site where we gather today.

Shortages of steel and manpower during World War I delayed construction of the school until 1918. When work was completed in 1921, the building opened as McIntosh High – in tribute to the man who had deeded the property to the city.

During much of this century, McIntosh – or Auburn High as it was commonly called – was a high school. In spring 1967, however, the last "high school" class graduated, and the following fall the building reopened as a junior high. Eight years later, in 1975, the school was transformed into an elementary school.

The building has experienced facelights and additions over the years.

Alumni Gym opened in 1924. A new science wing and library was added in 1963. Major renovations occurred in 1975. A walkway connecting Alumni Gym to the school was built in 1985.

Throughout all the changes and all the years, however, McIntosh School has remained a source of pride within the community and a beloved reminder of Auburn's rich educational heritage. The school will be missed – and long remembered.

Auburn High School (McIntosh School) at 800 South Main Street, Auburn, Indiana. A goodbye to the old school. Below is my invitation to the goodbye party. The startir five of the 1949 Red Devil team attended May 18, 1997

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Grand going-away party planned for Auburn school

AUBURN — Serving as the capstone of Auburn Pride Week, a celebration is planned in tribute to McIntosh School, formerly Auburn High School, which is closing at the end of this school year.

"McIntosh School Closing Celebration Sunday" will honor all the dedicated teachers, administrators and staff who have worked at McIntosh Elementary and Junior High and Auburn High School.

Barb Morrow, co-chairperson for the event with PTO President Julie Stackhouse, stated the celebration will be "an opportunity to welcome all the students, young and old, whose lives have been enriched by the education they received here," and that response from the community has been "fabulous."

A short program in the gym will begin the celebration at 2:30 p.m. with principal Scott Clay, Mayor Norm Rohm, Class of '47; Dr. Keith Perry, superintendent; Dave Wolff, former McIntosh principal and fifth-grade students offering remarks on why they feel McIntosh is a special school. A chorus of fourth- and fifth-grade students and the McIntosh Rockers choir will sing.

Entertainment scheduled throughout the day includes Auburn High School alumnus Dr. Steve Butler, well-known for his children's stories and songs, and humorist/storyteller Hubert Stackhouse, another popular Auburn High School alumnus and author of several cookbooks. The Auburn Community Band will perform the Auburn Red Devils Fight Song, among other selections, and there will be old-fashioned family games on the playground.

Special rooms will include an "Alumni Hangout" with former Mayor John Foley, and other alumni "leaders" from various eras will be there to to recap major events for those who'd like to reminisce about the "good old days."

A special "Salute to Athletes and Coaches" room will feature not only sports memorabilia, but members of the 1949 Auburn High School basketball team. Visitors will be able to view a video of the squad's "Final Four" game in Indianapolis.

There will be videos highlighting people and events from McIntosh School running continuously in a specially designated classroom, as well as a "Teacher/Staff Reunion Classroom."

Special posters for the event will be made by present day students, and balloons donated by Taylor Rental will fill the gym. T-shirts featuring the drawing of the school will be available for purchase.

Morrow encourages those who have yearbooks or other memorabilia to donate or lend for the event, or anyone who wants to volunteer their help, to call her at 925-5356.

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McIntosh School to get sentimental send-off

By DAVE KURTZ

AUBURN — After 76 years of service to ıe community, McIntosh School will get a ɔyal retirement party Sunday.

The school will close with the end of lasses June 4 — but not before a celebration f its long and rich history. The McIntosh arent-Teacher Organization has arranged unday's festivities, and is expecting a large rowd to attend.

"People's interest is really piqued," said arb Morrow, a PTO officer and organizer ɔr the event. "The fact that I'm getting out-f-state calls shows that people want to come ack for it."

Former students will play a major role in ıe nostalgic afternoon. Rooms will be set ıide for alumni to swap stories and browse rough old yearbooks.

In the Salute to Athletes and Coaches oom, visitors can admire a collection of ath-tic trophies from the building's years as uburn High School (1921-1967) and meet ɔme of the sports stars who won them. A deotape will show the 1949 Red Devils bas-ɛtball team playing at the state finals. Four embers of the team's starting five plan to turn, including Dr. James Schooley of aryland, Barney Beers of North Carolina, ıd Roger Wertenberger and Dr. Donald Der-w, both of Auburn. Members of the 1997 eKalb Baron basketball team are expected drop by to meet their predecessors as a ıtewide power.

In the Alumni Hangout, graduates repre-nting every decade of Auburn High hool's history will be on hand to lead a ses-ɔn of reminiscing Sunday afternoon.

Formalities will be confined to a 30-minute program at 2:30 p.m. It will include music by today's elementary-age inhabitants of the school. After Auburn High School was replaced by DeKalb High School in 1967, the building housed a junior high school until 1975, when it became McIntosh Elementary School.

Fun activities will feature games and rides on the school's playground and music by children's recording artist Dr. Steve Butler, who attended the school in his junior high school days. Butler recently released his third album, "Out of (Remote) Control," and has produced a music videocassette. Now a Fort Wayne resident, Butler also has a career as an oral and maxillofacial surgeon.

The Auburn Community Band will supply the day's final musical note, with a concert including the Auburn High School fight song.

More than 500 souvenir pennants donated by Renaissance Publishing will be given away free to guests at the celebration. Preservation of DeKalb Heritage will sell a souvenir glass bell, etched with images of McIntosh School and the Ashley and Fairfield schools, which also will close this spring.

Streets immediately surrounding the school will be closed to traffic during the celebration.

GOING OUT IN STYLE — McIntosh Elementary School will be the site of an elaborate farewell party Sunday from 2-4:30 p.m. The school is closing with the end of classes June 4. The building opened in 1921 as Auburn's high school and later served as a junior high school before becoming an elementary school. (Star photo by Dean A. Orewiler)

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McIntosh School celebration stirs memories

By KATHRYN BASSETT

AUBURN — If walls could talk, the red brick building of McIntosh School would have enough tales to fill volumes.

In its 76-year history, McIntosh has served as a high school, middle school and elementary school.

A celebration of McIntosh memories will take place Sunday from 2-4:30 p.m. at the school. Events will include school tours, displays of yearbooks and memorabilia, special presentations and sharing of reminiscences.

The school on Auburn's South Main Street will close June 4, to be replaced by new Country Meadow Elementary School.

McIntosh was built to replace Central High, which had become inadequate due to Auburn's growing population.

William H. McIntosh owned a large brick home with several lots on South Main Street and offered his property as site for the new high school. McIntosh had been the superintendent of the Auburn Academy and the county superintendent of schools. He laid the first brick of the school on July 2, 1916. However, because of steel and manpower shortages during World War I, construction was delayed and the school was not dedicated until 1921. McIntosh High School's first class had 36 students.

W.H. McKenney, who had been the principal since 1913, became superintendent in 1923 and E. L. Fribley became the principal. Fribley remained principal until Christmas of 1936, when Lloyd Miller took over.

The Alumni Gym opened in 1924. It seated 2,300 people and was the home of the Auburn Red Devils.

Marie Hughes attended McIntosh — commonly known as Auburn High School — from 1926 to 1929.

"We had fun," she said of her school days. Forty-eight students graduated from Hughes' class.

Hughes remembers studying subjects such as English, history, Latin, and French. The school offered vocational studies — boys would study agriculture and girls would learn cooking and sewing, said Hughes. She also took a commercial course, which included typing and shorthand, and went on to become a secretary.

Hughes said the school had a double stairway in front of the building. "I hated to see that being removed," she added.

"We had a good four years," said Hughes. "There was no war at that time. The crash of 1929 didn't come until October and we had graduated in May."

Tragedy struck McIntosh in 1937 when a student died during a football game. The student's name lived on with the dedication of a new football field — Earl Carr Field — which has served McIntosh students since 1940. Only recently was the site changed to house several softball fields.

Former Auburn Mayor John Foley attended Auburn High from 1939 to 1943. "It was a small school with 300 kids in the whole thing," Foley recalled.

"The rivalry in the athletic department was quite intense, especially between Auburn and Garrett," Foley said. "It was common knowledge that after an athletic event between Garrett and Auburn, there would be a fight on the courthouse square."

Foley said students respected their teachers and never argued with them. "They didn't let us get away

with anything," said Foley. "They ran a tight ship."

When boys turned 18, they were drafted to serve in the armed forces during World War II, Foley said. "It was a situation where when guys got to be 18, they knew where they were going to go ... the girls were a little frustrated, but the guys were looking forward to the adventure," he said.

Local storyteller Hubert Stackhouse graduated from Auburn High School in 1942. His sister graduated in the 1930s.

Stackhouse said students walked to school. "A student who drove his own car would have been considered almost a freak," he said.

Lunch break was one hour and 15 minutes, when students would walk home for lunch and be back by 1 p.m. "They (teachers) didn't mince words about tardiness and so forth," said Stackhouse. "You got to school on time and there would be penalties if you were tardy."

Stackhouse said the only students who did not walk home for lunch were those who lived in the country. "They brown-bagged it," said Stackhouse, and would eat lunch in the biology room.

Stackhouse's teachers included Maude Armstrong, who taught English. "She could absolutely wither you with a look. She knew she was in charge. It was going to be run according to her rules," said Stackhouse of Anderson's methods of discipline.

Stackhouse noted Auburn High School has turned out many fine athletes, such as Olympian Don Lash, who would run to school and back each day, and Dave Williams.

"He was so good he was almost fictitious," said Stackhouse of Williams. "Any sport he was in he was stunning. Anything he did he could do well."

1946 graduate Carma Eckert said her high school years were memorable. "We had about 70 in our class. It was one of the bigger classes," Eckert recalled.

She remembers studying courses such as English, French, Latin, geography, history, economics, algebra, trigonometry and business.

"It was during the war, so we had to have physical education every day to keep us healthy and fit in case we had to work in the factories while the fellas were fighting," said Eckert.

Eckert said teachers were strict and demanded discipline. "We respected our teachers and didn't talk back," she said. "They could paddle you if they wanted!"

For 1950 graduate Bobby Schaab, attending McIntosh was a family affair. Her father, James Little, graduated in 1924. Her children, Elizabeth and William, attended McIntosh when it was a middle school and her grandchildren, Carter and Joseph Shepherd, attended when it was a grade school.

"The main thing that happened when I was in high school was the basketball team went to state in 1949," said Schaab. "It was a really big thing because we only had about 300 students in the school."

Schaab said and school activities and clubs were much more limited than today. "You belonged to most everything you could because there was not much to belong to," she said.

Schaab has many happy memories of Auburn High. "I enjoyed high school immensely," she said, "I look back with great pleasure."

Roger Wertenberger was a member of the famed 1949 basketball team that reached the state finals.

"We were a team," said Wertenberger. "It was not only one or two particular stars."

Wertenberger remembered how more than 60 boys would try out for the football team during call-out. The coach, Zeke Young, never cut anybody. Young also would see that players who stayed with the team for four years would play in enough games to receive their team letters, Wertenberger recalled.

Wertenberger's classmate, Retha Butler, said girls did not compete in high school sports. Instead, they participated in the Girls Athletic Association, learning sports such as soccer and archery, she said. Butler remembers participating in a volleyball tournament just once at an invitational in Columbia City.

After school, students would gather at the YMCA canteen for social activities, Butler said. There was a soda fountain, a juke box and music, card tables and ping pong.

In 1961, Meredith Thompson became principal and Miller moved to the new McKenney Junior High School as principal. A new science wing and library were added to the school in 1963 and Thompson was replaced by Tilson King in 1965.

After Auburn High School was replaced by DeKalb High School in 1967, the building housed a junior high school with Ed Benbow as principal.

In 1975, the building was renovated and became McIntosh Elementary School with Dave Wolff serving as principal. Wolff left McIntosh to be come principal at J. R. Watson Elementary School in 1996 and was succeeded by current principal Scott Clay.

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PROUD PENNANT-MAKERS — Auburn High School alumni Steve Neumann (right) and Jack Mitchener (second from left) hold pennants they designed and donated through Renaissance Publishing Co. for the McIntosh School Closing Celebration. With them are McIntosh principal Scott Clay and PTO president Julie Stackhouse. Emblazoned with a sketch of the school, the pennants commemorate Auburn High, 1921-1967 and McIntosh, 1967-1997. They will be displayed in businesses in downtown Auburn and given to visitors at the celebration May 18 from 2-4:30 p.m. (Star photo by Dean A. Orewiler)

McIntosh gets grand goodbye

By DAVE KURTZ

AUBURN — Schools aren't just books and tests — they're memories, Dave Wolff told a crowd gathered at McIntosh School Sunday afternoon.

Hundreds of former students fondly recalled those memories as they came to say goodbye to the 76-year-old building. It will close at the end of its final class June 4.

Wolff served as principal of the school from 1975-96, during its period as an elementary building. It also housed a junior high school from 1967-75.

But Sunday's McIntosh Farewell Party focused chiefly on the building's years as Auburn High School, 1921-67. Graduates from nearly every one of those years turned out for the 2 1/2-hour tribute organized by the McIntosh Parent-Teacher Organization.

About 500 people filled Alumni Gymnasium for a 30-minute formal program. Then they scattered to inspect old yearbooks and photographs, meet the school's 1949 state finalist basketball players and reminisce with others who once walked the building's halls.

Wolff jogged memories with his recollections of C.E. "Zeke" Young, who coached athletic teams at the school for 30 years. Wolff marveled at how Auburn photographer Kelso Davis took the original senior class photos, which lined the walls of the gymnasium Sunday, then returned many years later to photograph the classes at their reunions.

Wolff said he hopes the class photos will be saved, along with the school's history.

"I would like to believe there's a John Martin Smith out there somewhere, who will do the same for Auburn High School that he did for DeKalb County," Wolff said, referring to Smith's detailed county history book.

DeKalb Central schools superintendent Dr. Keith Perry noted the building's history of versatility and change. He said change, such as closing the school this spring, is never easy. But he pledged that the school's proud tradition will follow McIntosh students to their new schools next year. The school's elementary pupils will be scattered to three different schools in Auburn and rural Ashley.

Auburn Mayor Norman Rohm said his Auburn High School Class class of 1947 is marking its 50th anniversary. He expressed thanks that "the folks in 1921 had the courage and the foresight to build a building that would serve this community so well for 75 years."

Rohm added, "We must pledge to keep building on the legacy lef to us by those who have gone before."

Not all that legacy was as serious as the speeches in the gymnasium In the Alumni Hangout session afterward, graduates chuckled over some of their high school hijinks.

"My parents are sitting back there. They're going to learn something," Don Allison began. He confessed that farewell party organizer Barbara Morrow's house on Midway Drive was once the starting point for teen-agers' drag races in the 1950s.

Kevin Beuret related that one teacher warned him he would have to stay "a half an hour" after school if he corrected her one more time, "And I unwisely told Miss Staley, 'It's correct to say, 'a half-hour.'"

Marie Hughes recalled the infamous pop quizzes given by teacher "Skeet" Weathers. She would get the questions from a student in his first-period class, helping her classmates ace the tests later in the day. "I think it took Skeet three weeks before he figured out what had happened," she said.

Nancy Derrow noted that the high school had 19 teachers in her day. All 10 male teachers were married, but all nine women were unmarried, she said.

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Jeff Turner of Auburn attended the school only in his freshman year, before it closed to be replaced by DeKalb High School. "I can remember never going to the third floor because that was the senior hall" at Auburn High, off limits to freshmen, he said.

Beuret and Rohm chuckled about a pastor of the 1960's who campaigned to change the name of the school's Red Devils athletic teams.

Jack Sanders said the Red Devils' best all-around athlete of all time was "Big Dave" Williams, but the single best athletic achievement belonged to distance runner Don Lash, a member of the 1936 Olympic team.

Jean Buss won a state championship in singing, Sanders said. He showed a videotape she sent to her 60th class reunion, accompanying herself on the piano while singing the school fight song, "We're loyal to you, Auburn High," she sang, punctuating the lyrics with a dynamic "rah, rah!"

Saying goodbye to Auburn High School, May 18, 1997
This is the picture of the Class of 1953 that hung in the halls of Auburn High School
Bottom L-R: Barbara Potter Capen and Jan Weinert Morton two members of the Class of 1953.

Upper: The 1949 basketball team
that went to State finals and lost to Jasper
in the afternoon at the Butler Field house
in Indianapolis Indiana.
L-R: Bob Bates, Chick McComb,
Don Kelly, Ken McInturf,
Roger Wertenberger, Coach Showalter,
Jim Schooley, Barney Beers,
Don Derrow, Ted Miller and
Theo Webb.

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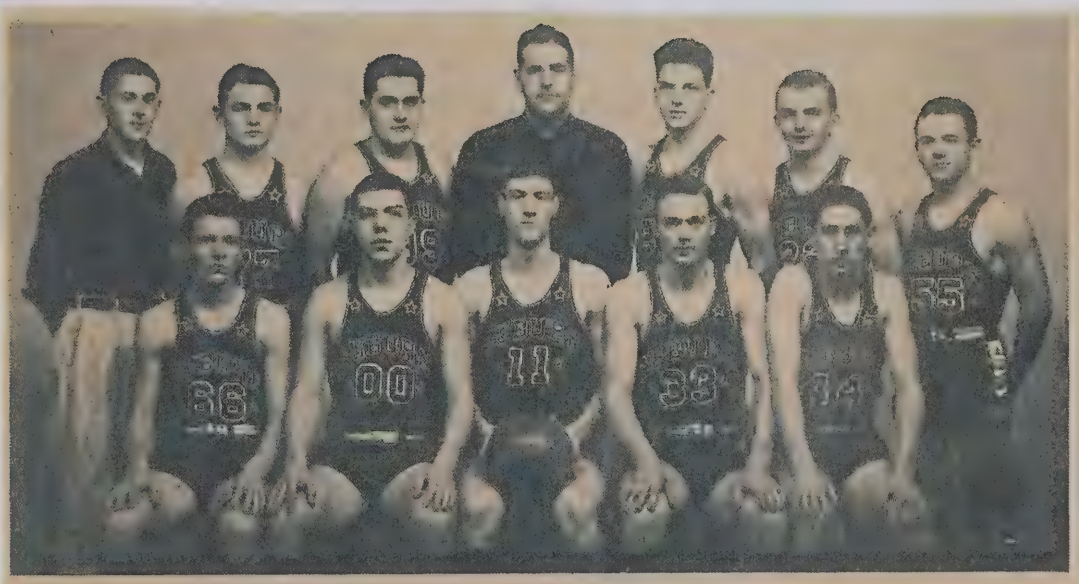
1949 Auburn team to be honored



THIS IS THE TEAM THAT REPRESENTED AUBURN HIGH SCHOOL in 1949. The Red Devils that year, coached by Keith Showalter, won the sectional, regional and semi-state and wound up as one of the four teams in the state finals. They lost to eventual champion Jasper in the afternoon game of the finals. The team will be honored Monday, March 18 at the Auburn Methodist Church at a banquet sponsored by the Auburn Lions Club. Team members are, front row, left to right, Bob Bates, Don Derrow, Jim Schooley, Ken McInturf, and Roger Wertenberger. Back row, left to right, Student Manager Hugh Western, Russell McComb, Theo Webb, Coach Showalter, Barney Beers, Don Kelly, and Ted Miller. (Davis photo - contributed) 1974

Schooley open underneath for easy lay-ups or hook shots.

The week before the finals, however, Wertenberger came down with the flu, and as one writer at the time put it, "that was the most discussed belly-ache in the state that week."

On Saturday afternoon, the Red Devils faced Jasper, and with Wertenberger at less than full strength, they lost 53-48. Jasper went on that night to defeat Madison for the state championship.

Schooley was presented the coveted Trester Award for mental attitude after the tournament, and went on to star in basketball at Indiana University.

The famous 1949 season and the tournament will be the main topic of discussion at the silver anniversary dinner March 18.

Also attending will be Hlliard Gates, Sports Director at WKJG-TV in Fort Wayne. Gates was a young broadcaster in Fort Wayne in 1949 and followed the Red Devils down the tournament trail.

By JAMES KROEMER
Star Managing Editor

The 1949 Auburn High School basketball team will gather in Auburn Monday, March 18, on the silver anniversary of their trip to the finals of the Indiana High School basketball tournament.

The dinner honoring the team is being sponsored by the Auburn Lions Club, but the public is invited. The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Auburn Methodist Church.

Tickets, available at Hoham's, Auburn State Bank, People's Federal Savings and Loan Association and from Cecil "Zeke" Young, and Keith Showalter, are $4 each.

All tournament team members have been contacted, and all but one have already notified the committee planning the event they will return. Only Ken McInturf, who now lives in California, is not yet committed to return for the reunion.

Other members of the roster who will be present for the dinner are: Jim Schooley, Roger Wertenberger, Don Kelly, Don Derrow, Theo Webb, Russell McComb, Ted Miller, Barney Beers and Bob Bates.

Head Coach Keith Showalter and Athletic Director Zeke Young will also attend the dinner.

Led by Schooley and Wertenberger, the 1949 Auburn Red Devils reeled off 16 straight victories, won their conference, the sectional, regional, and semi-state and became the only team in the history of Auburn High School to represent the town in the final four state finals in Indianapolis.

The newspapers of the day told the story of the team in vivid detail, dubbing the Red Devils the "People's Choice" after they won the Fort Wayne Regional.

At the start of the season, Showalter told reporters the team would be a good team, but said there was no way to predict how well it would do. Schooley was the only starter returning from the year before, and Showalter knew he was going with a group of boys that didn't have a lot of game experience.

But the team started hot and reeled off 16 consecutive victories, including wins over all three Fort Wayne public high schools and Fort Wayne Concordia.

The Red Devils were ranked as high as seventh during their winning streak, but finally Mishawaka beat Auburn by six points, and the Red Devils were reduced to well regarded status.

Auburn won two more games and lost a squeaker to Wabash, 41-40, to end the season with an 18-2 record, undefeated in conference play.

In the sectional, Auburn rolled over Butler, Churubusco and Garrett in the preliminaries then beat Angola in the final game, 74-47.

The team rolled right on through the Fort Wayne regional with a 45-20 win over Howe Military in the afternoon, and another victory over Fort Wayne Central in the finals.

That put them into the "Sweet 16" and brought on the traditional state powers in basketball.

In the semi-state, the Red Devils disposed of Kokomo in the afternoon contest, 55-43 then held on in the night game for a tight 45-43 win over New Castle.

That put the Auburn team into the final four, and the home town went crazy.

Season ticket holders were given first choice for the tickets allocated to Auburn, which left 350 tickets to be sold. Since the demand far outstripped the supply, Principal Lloyd Miller set up a drawing to decide who would get the remaining 350 tickets.

On the night of the drawing, an estimated 1,800 people showed up at Alumni Gym for the drawing.

All year long, Showalter depended primarily on Derrow, Beers, Schooley, Kelly, Wertenberger and McInturf, but Schooley and Wertenberger were his big guns.

If the opponent would collapse around the 6'5" Schooley, Wertenberger would shoot and hit from the outside. If the opponent came out to get Wertenberger, he would find

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Auburn's state finalist team celebrates 25th anniversary

By JOHN PEIRCE
Star Staff Writer

Basketball is living and well in Auburn. That fact was never more apparent than it was Monday night when the 1949 Auburn High School state finalist basketball team convened for its silver anniversary at the First United Methodist Church, Auburn.

The roster was complete, including coaches and student manager, for the first time in 25 years.

Team members came from as far away as San Andreas, Calif. for the reunion, sponsored by the Auburn Lions Club and organized by the team's head coach in 1949, Keith Showalter, Auburn.

A large crowd was on hand to welcome the team back to Auburn. Auburn Mayor John Foley made a proclamation to commemorate the occasion.

Humor was the order of the day as each team member reminisced about the year 1949 when the Red Devils went to the final four and lost to Jasper in the afternoon game at Butler Fieldhouse. Jasper then defeated Madison that night for the state championship. The 1949 Red Devils were the only Auburn team ever to make it to state. Hilliard Gates, WKJG-TV sports director, who followed the Auburn team to the finals as a radio sportscaster in 1949, emceed the banquet.

Schooley Honored

Standout of the 1949 team was 6-foot-5 center Jim Schooley who won the Trester Award for mental attitude that year and played on the Indiana State All-Star Team against Kentucky.

Schooley will be honored Wednesday for those accomplishments along with the other members of the 1949 state all-star team when the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame inducts new members in Indianapolis.

Schooley earned his Ph.D. at the University of California, has done research in nuclear fission, and is now working for the National Bureau of Standards in Washington, D. C. His red hair and beard were the subject of much good-natured ribbing, Monday night.

"I wear a beard for a very good reason," he said. "It lends about two decimal points more authority to my opinions which are, in some circles, supposed to be the last word."

Schooley, whose sister is now the wife of Auburn Mayor John Foley, entertained the audience of Lions members, players' families and interested fans of the 1949 team, with his wit and humor as did many of the other team members.

Schooley's high scoring teammate of 1949, Roger Wertenberger, Auburn, said, "I looked back through some of the old clippings and I discovered we weren't all as good as we think we were."

Illness Hurt

Wertenberger, whose untimely illness may have cost Auburn the state championship, dug up some of the good and some of the bad about the 1949 team.

He told of one game in which

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Auburn finalist team celebrates

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Theo Webb, Auburn, was the player that injected humor into the locker room and kept his team relaxed when tension mounted, according to Showalter.

Schooley himself shed some light on Showalter as coach.

"I had a charley horse one game and fell to the floor," said Schooley. "Coach Showalter was right there when I started to pick myself up off the floor, but he pushed me back down and said, 'Don't get up, we need the time.' "

Showalter took a gamble the last 15 seconds of the tight semi-state tourney game against New Castle. With his team leading by two points, Schooley drew a foul.

"That year was the only year you had your choice of shooting the foul or taking the ball out of bounds," said Showalter.

"The logical thing would have been to take the ball out and maintain possession of it for the rest of the game, but I got to thinking. They way New Castle was fouling and getting away with it, it would be possible for them to take the ball away from us without being called for a foul and go down and score.

Called Time Out

"I called time out and asked Schooley, "Can you make the free throw?' 'Sure coach, don't worry about a thing,' he said."

Showalter rolled his eyes around in his head at that and continued to tell how Schooley did make the shot. However, Bob Bates of Auburn fouled New Castle's Wright at mid-court on a bizarre mid-court shot. Wright made the first free throw to bring New Castle to within two points again and took the ball out of bounds instead of taking the second free throw. New Castle shot three times the last few seconds, but missed, and Auburn went on to the final four.

Other members of the team and present occupations: Barney Beers, Tupalo, Miss., works for a cotton mill in Alabama; Bob Bates is an engineer for Magnavox in Fort Wayne; Ted Miller is a lawyer in Huntington; Russell McComb, former teacher, now is purchasing agent for General Electric, Fort Wayne; Ken McInturf, branch manager of United Bank of California.

Several members of the team now reside in the Auburn area. Assistant coach Cecil "Zeke" Young is retired from coaching and teaching; Don Kelly, now known more for his golfing prowess than for his basketball, is vice president of Rieke Corporation, Auburn; Wertenberger is president of People's Federal Savings and Loan Association, Auburn; Showalter is also on the staff at People's; Theo Webb is president of Auburn Federal Savings and Loan; student manager Hugh Western owns Nebelung Shoe Store, Auburn, and Don Derrow is an Auburn dentist.

Following the anniversary banquet, the players and coaches got together and reminisced until 2:30 a.m. this morning.

"For once coach Showalter let us break training by going to bed late," joked Wertenberger. the Red Devils hit only 13 of 74 shots from the field. Auburn won that game against Garrett, nevertheless, 39-33.

In yet another game, against Angola, the Red Devils took a total of 111 field goal shots. "That was back when they counted tips as shots," said Wertenberger, "and we were the kind of team to let her fly." Several games, however, the team averaged 50 per cent from the field.

During the 1949 regular season, Auburn traveled to Kendallville to play the state ranked Kendallville five. After all the tickets were sold out ahead of time, someone came up with the idea of radio broadcasting the game in the Auburn gym, much like closed circuit TV sessions of today. A sizeable crowd turned out to listen to the broadcast in addition to the full house that saw that game in person at Kendallville.

Finalists of '49 still winning

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By DAVE KURTZ

They're not kids anymore. They're pushing the limits of middle age, and graying at the temples.

But to Auburn, they'll always be the Boys of '49.

Forty years ago this week, the Auburn Red Devils lived out every Hoosier boy's dream. They played in the Final Four of high school basketball at Butler Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

The Devils led their semifinal game halfway through the fourth quarter, then lost 53-48 to Jasper. But they still returned as heroes forevermore.

"When I go home, I'm known by that. I'm not known by anything that I've done since then," said Barney Beers, a bruising forward on the team, who now lives in North Carolina.

What Beers and his teammates have done since 1949 is impressive. To a man, the 10 Red Devils have been just as successful in life as they were on the basketball court.

Their roster today would not list guards, centers and forwards, but two bank presidents, one corporation president, a dentist, an attorney, a nationally respected scientist, and four other corporate executives.

They were only teen-agers in the fall of 1948, but their coach, Keith Showalter, knew he had something special.

"He picked the team without having tryouts," said Don Kelly, a junior guard. "He just posted it one day — these 10 people make up the varsity basketball team."

It was a bold move for a coach who hadn't won the sectiona since 1945. The source of his confidence probably was Jim Schooley, a rangy, 6-foot-4 center

But in an early game with Hartford City, the team proved it could win while Schooley rode the bench with foul trouble. "Every game, we started to believe better in ourselves," Kelly said.

The Devils reeled off 16 straight wins to start the season. Fans feared the 13th game might be a jinx, when the Auburn traveled to once-beaten Kendallville.

By this time, no gym had enough seats to contain the Devils' fans, so the Lions Club arranged a telephone report of the game back to Auburn. A throng filled Alumni Gymnasium on South Main Street to hear the amplified voices of Harold Stump, Lawrence Wible and Cecil "Zeke" Young describe a 36-25 Auburn win.

The streak ended against Mishawaka, a team with three players bigger than Schooley. A one-point loss at Wabash gave Auburn an 18-2 record as the 16-team sectional began.

The Devils breezed past Butler, Churubusco, Garrett and Angola in the sectional, and Howe Military in the first round of the regional.

The regional final, at Fort Wayne's North Side High School, matched Auburn (296 students) against giant Fort Wayne Central (enrollment 1,450). The Red Devils took 40 more shots than Central and triumphed 51-47.

It was on to the heady stuff of the semi-state tourney at Muncie. Enjoying the underdog's status as "People's Choice," Auburn knocked out Kokomo when Schooley scored 22 points in the first game.

At night, the Devils faced top-ranked New Castle. Wertenberger tossed in 18 points while Schooley struggled. But the big center came alive to score seven points in the fourth quarter, including two pressure-packed free throws that clinched the win.

Even giant Butler Field House couldn't hold all the Auburn fans who wanted to see the state finals at Indianapolis. After season-ticket holders were served, Auburn had 350 seats left for 1,800 fans who crowded the high school gym hoping to see their names drawn for a ticket.

"It kind of reminds me o Milan," Russell "Bud" McComb a junior on the squad, remembered this week. But Indiana would have to wait five more years before Milan, a school not much smaller than Auburn, would become Cinderella state champions.

Auburn's afternoon-round foe in '49 was lightly regarded Jasper only 11-9 in the regular season. But Wertenberger had the flu all week before the finals, and while he still downplays that factor, his teammates recall that he wasn't full strength on game day.

Still, Schooley scored eight straight points to put Auburn up by 38-36 after three quarters. The Devils built their lead to 42-36 before Jasper surged to win 53-48.

Jasper pushed the Devils beyond their usual shooting range, and was only the second team all season to outrebound Auburn.

Jasper went on to win the trophy game that night, but Kelly

'I still believe to this day that we were the best team in Indiana.'
—Don Kelly

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wasn't convinced. "I still believe to this day that we were the best team in Indiana," he said Wednesday. "We had a bad shooting day."

Auburn agreed that the Devils were champions. A mob of nearly 4,000 fans welcomed the team home, toasting them on the courthouse square. They found an extra source of pride when Schooley won the Trester Award, given to the final four's best scholar-athlete.

Intelligence was a big part of the Devils' success formula. They were quick to respond to the coaching of Showalter, who learned his basketball at Ball State University from the legendary Branch McCracken.

Showalter taught the Devils a man-to-man defense and a two-man fast break. And the more the boys won, the better they listened to their towering taskmaster.

"There were no discipline problems. Keith didn't put up with anything," Wertenberger said.

"I don't know of anybody who ever attempted to challenge him in any way," said Beers.

The team sharpened itself against stiff competition — Elkhart, Warsaw, Mishawaka, and Fort Wayne schools — and in rugged practices. Wertenberger said his scrimmage wars against scrappy, 5-foot-6 teammate Ted Miller were tougher than most games.

"We didn't have the most outstanding talent in the state, but we had a bunch of guys who were willing to be coached and work together," said Bob Bates, one of the squad's four seniors.

For all their character, the Devils had athletic skills, too. Schooley was no lumbering big man. He was a state finalist in the high hurdles that spring. Beers was a strapping, 6-foot-1, 185-pound rebounder, but he could broad jump 22 feet. Kelly had the hand-eye coordination to win the Mid-American Conference championship in golf at Western Michigan.

Most of them played for Young to win the conference title in football the previous fall. They won the conference in basketball, track and golf, too, and those were all the trophies the conference had to give.

Six different players were top scorers at some time during the basketball season. "All of us came through at different times," said Ken McInturf, who pounded the boards with his 6-foot-1 bookend, Don Derrow.

"It was a team. It wasn't just one or two individuals who made the thing go. Nobody really cared who got the points," said Derrow.

'I can tell the difference between people who have participated in competitive athletics and those who haven't.'

—James Schooley
Trester Award winner

Only Schooley and Wertenberger started every game, and there was a healthy competion for the other three positions.

"It was a group of people that was aggressive in all things they did, and I guess that carried over into business," said Theo Webb, the team's designated morale booster.

The Devils kept on winning at life for another 40 years.

"I always felt it was an advantage to have played competitive athletics in a team sport," says Schooley, the state's ultimate scholar-athlete of 1949. "The number one thing is that you don't quit. There are always situations in life where you're up against some real problems."

When he went to Indiana University, to play on a national championship team for Showalter's old coach, McCracken, Schooley found he wasn't the biggest or best player anymore. In graduate school at the University of California, he wasn't the brightest student anymore, either. He succeeded by using the lessons he learned in the winter of 1949.

"I can tell the difference between people who have participated in competitive athletics and those who haven't," Schooley said Friday. The athletes stay calm. They can think under pressure. They deal with setbacks and keep on trying.

There weren't many setbacks for the Auburn Red Devils in 1949. There haven't been many since. They were nearly the best team in Indiana 40 years ago, but the yellowed box scores don't tell the final score for the Boys of '49. They're definitely winners today.

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L-R:
Barney Beers, Don Derrow, Luke Recker (from Dekalb High School), Jim Schooley
Roger Wertenberger, Ken McInturf and Coach Hawkins of DeKaLb High School.

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May 18, 1997 the great
1949 Red Devils basketball
team taken May 18, 1997 at
the old Auburn High School
800 South Main Street,
Auburn, Indiana.

Middle picture L-R:
the starting five
Barney Beers, Jim Schooley,
Roger Wertenberger,
Ken McInturf and Don Derrow

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Auburn school has last hurrah

Graduates reminisce at McIntosh farewell

By Niki Kelly
The Journal Gazette

AUBURN – Standing in front of a table strewn with school memorabilia from the 1920s, 84-year-old Auburn resident Marie Hughes found her photo in the senior class composite and leafed through old yearbooks titled "The Follies."

The 1929 Auburn High School graduate wasn't ready to let go.

"I had four good years here, and I think it's too bad," Hughes said of the impending closing of what is now McIntosh Elementary School. "I guess they call it progress, but I just don't know."

Hughes wasn't the only one shaking her head or wiping away tears at Sunday's farewell celebration for the school.

More than 400 people gathered to reminisce, recall and remember.

Some in wheelchairs and with portable oxygen tanks. Some reliving their 1960s heyday. Others just tots caught in the shuffle.

The school, which was built in 1921 and used as a high school until 1967, will close at the end of the school year. It was a junior high until 1975 when it reopened as an elementary school.

Ashley and Fairfield Center elementaries also will close.

Country Meadow Elementary School – a $7.5 million project at the corner of County Road 10 and County Road 23 – will take their place.

"Schools are more than tests and books. They're memories," said former principal Dave Wolff. "Sadly, we close it not knowing if it will have another life." No alternative uses have been found for the three closing school buildings.

Keith Perry, superintendent of DeKalb County Central United Schools, said looking back over the history of the school two words popped out.

"Change and versatility," he said. "Change is inevitable, but is not always easy. Versatility makes the progress of change a little better."

After a farewell program, visitors were free to wander the halls of the elementary school. Many stayed in the gym, lingering over old yearbooks and lost moments.

"Actually, Auburn High School closed in 1967, so to me it's been closed for a long time," 1966 graduate John Wilson said. "But the idea that it may be torn down is scary. I had to see it one last time."

Wilson, who now lives on Lake James and teaches in New Haven, brought more than his mental memories with him Sunday.

He donned a yellow pair of corduroy pants called "Senior Cords."

His name is stenciled up the side. The high school mascot – a red devil – is painted on the backside.

His school activities – student body president, letterman's club and more – are scrawled up and down his legs.

"I had to suck it in a little," he jokingly said of the old pants.

The day was full of recollection, but the voices of about 25 current elementary kids may have resounded loudest in the old peeling gymnasium.

The McIntosh Rockers left the audience with these words:

"Let us hold this moment, let this memory shine . . . They'll always be a new tomorrow. They'll always be a brand new day."

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Auburn's '49 greats meet new crop

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By Niki Kelly
The Journal Gazette

AUBURN – The past and the present collided Sunday in a McIntosh Elementary School classroom.

Amid child-size chairs and tables, five members of the 1949 Auburn High School boys basketball team relived the glory days of their team's run to the state finals.

Next to the men – standing a head taller than most of them at 6 feet 5 inches – was Mr. Basketball, Luke Recker, leader of the 1997 team that nearly matched the '49 feat.

The meeting was part of the farewell program for McIntosh Elementary School, but quickly turned into an event of its own as members of the two best ever DeKalb County teams converged.

Local residents spilled in to listen, chat and seek autographs.

Team member Ken McInturf, who flew in from California, talked about the rough training regimen used in his day.

"Jumping rope. Weighing in. Taking your vitamins and 25 foul shots a day," he said. "We had to stay until we made them so sometimes it was late."

Another member, Roger Wertenberger, of Auburn, said there were no telephones or automobiles when he played basketball. "We were talking about Luke making the McDonald's All-American team and we didn't even have McDonald's back then."

Recker smiled sheepishly, awed by the team and its most famous member, Jim Schooley, who won the Trester Award.

"When I was a little kid all I wanted to do was go with an Auburn High School team to the state finals and win it," Schooley said. "It almost worked out that way."

Recker, who will play next year at Indiana University, told the crowd that it was an honor for him to meet the men who had achieved such an unbelievable goal – a goal he had set for himself as well.

"Playing high school ball in Indiana is something really special," Recker said. "I had a great time and maybe someday when I come back I will have memories like these guys."

One 1949 team member, Barney Beers, joked that Recker may have more. "If you keep your skills up, when you're our age you'll be able to come back and buy Auburn."

DeKalb High basketball coach Cliff Hawkins said it is days like Sunday that make him realize the heritage of the school and its basketball. "All of us are hurting in terms of the classifying of Indiana basketball, but here's an example of five people who believed."

And five people who almost made it.

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HOOP HEROES MEET — Members of Auburn High School's 1949 state finals basketball team met Indiana's 1997 Mr. Basketball at Sunday's McIntosh School Farewell Party. From left are 1949 players Barney Beers and Dr. Donald Derrow; Mr. Basketball Luke Recker of DeKalb High School, 1949 Trester Award winner James Schooley (later a member of Indiana University's 1953 national championship basketball team), and 1949 teammates Roger Wertenberger and Ken McInturf. Read more about it in today's opinion page column by Dave Kurtz.

MANY MEMORIES — Jim Schooley points to items in a display honoring him as a new inductee into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame at New Castle Wednesday. Schooley was a member of Auburn's 1949 state finalist team. (Star photo by Mark Murdock)

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Jim Schooley is in the Indiana Basketball Hall of fame

Trester winner Schooley joins Hall of Fame

By MARK MURDOCK

NEW CASTLE — Obliging a photo request, Jim Schooley walked through a sunbeam shining through the windows of the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame Wednesday.

He paused for a second, letting the bright light hit him directly in the face. It was only fitting, since this was truly his day in the sun.

Schooley, a star on Auburn's state finalist basketball team of 1949, was one of 14 new members inducted into the Hall of Fame Wednesday.

After a reception at the Hall of Fame museum in the afternoon, official ceremonies took place at a banquet in downtown Indianapolis Wednesday night.

Schooley had nearly 30 family members and friends at the banquet to help him share in an honor he termed "unbelievable."

"I just couldn't believe it," he said. "I stopped being somebody in basketball a long time ago... The idea that I would be in the same company with these truly great ballplayers is just amazing to me.

"We're having a wonderful time this week. I brought a lot of my family here and some friends. The Hall of Fame has given us a great reason to come back to Indiana. It's a nice party."

Schooley sported a hat saluting the 1949 Red Devils, who went 18-2 in the regular season, and reached the state finals before losing to Jasper in the semifinal round.

He also wore a letter sweater from Indiana University, where he played on the 1953 NCAA championship team coached by Branch McCracken.

Schooley joins Keith Showalter, who coached the '49 Auburn team, as a Hall of Fame member.

Auburn is also represented at the Hall in a special Mr. Basketball display, which includes Luke Recker's No. 24 DeKalb jersey, and in the girls basketball section, which features MaChelle Joseph's No. 22 Purdue uniform.

The Hall of Fame had a special display for each new inductee Wednesday. Schooley's collection of memoboralia included the Trester Award he won at the 1949 state finals, pieces of the championship nets from Auburn's tournament run; and photos of him addressing a gathering of fans outside the courthouse during the magical season.

While Schooley points out that he hasn't been a basketball star for several years, he believes he's still enjoying the long-lasting benefits of the game.

"Basketball has meant an awful lot to me through the years. The instruction I got from (Keith) Showalter, the high school coach, and (Branch) McCracken, the college coach, has stayed with me my whole life," Schooley said.

He's a believer that sports is good preparation for life experiences.

"I really believe that," he said. "You learn to be a good sport. You learn to strive, you learn how much hard work is involved in a worthwhile goal. You learn that sometimes you win, sometimes you lose, but you can always keep your composure, and do the best you can."

Schooley is proof positive. After earning a chemistry degree at IU, he served in the Air Force for 4 1/2 years during the Korean War. He was assigned to work in nuclear chemistry at the University of California during that time.

After completing his doctorate at Cal following his time in the service, Schooley worked for 30 years for National Bureau of Standards, "mostly in the area of determining temperature," he said.

Schooley is now retired and lives in Maryland. He plays golf and tennis regularly, and is writing a history for the National Bureau of Standards.

"I'm very much into raising grandchildren," he added. "I'm enjoying life."

Schooley is also grateful to basketball for giving him an opportunity to get a college education.

"My father had passed away while I was in high school, and money was an issue," Schooley said. "The scholarship helped me to get through college more or less like an ordinary student.

"The college faculty were understanding enough to allow me to do some of my laboratory work at odd times, rather than when the team was scheduled to be out of town."

And any basketball player can't ask for much more than being on a NCAA title team.

"Playing with the likes of (Don) Schlundt, (Slick) Leonard, Burke Scott, Dick White, (Dick) Farley, and (Paul) Poff was a wonderful experience," Schooley said.

"Playing for Branch McCracken was like having a father there at IU. He was such a fine man, always encouraging, and always giving us strength."

Schooley is still very much a basketball fan, watching many games on TV, and occasionally

He also keeps in touch with his former Red Devil teammates. Don Derrow, also a member of the '49 squad, attended Wednesday's festivities.

"I still see many of them on occasion," Schooley said. "They're dear friends, and we enjoy the old days. Basketball brings us together."

Schooley said only part of their time together is spent replaying the exciting games of the state finals year. "We do, but many times we're replaying events that took place off the court," he said with a laugh.

Trester award winner Jim Schooley was inducted into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame in New Castle, Indiana March 26, 1998.

MCINTOSH MEMORIES — John Manon, of the Auburn High School class of 1953, brought this photo of his father to the McIntosh School Farewell Party Sunday. He said Walter "Squirt" Manon, only 5-foot-3, was the captain and leading scorer of the Auburn High basketball team that played in Alumni Gymnasium in 1928.

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TWENTIES GRADUATES — Three of the earliest graduates of the Auburn (McIntosh) High School sat together at Sunday's farewell party for the McIntosh building. From left are Forest Sellers of Auburn, class of 1922; Chester Baker of Fort Wayne, class of 1924; and Helen M. Bartels of Auburn, also of the class of 1924. Baker said his sister, 1920 graduate Berniece Henry, still lives in Fort Wayne. "It makes you feel pretty good to be able to get out here," Baker said.

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A fond farewell

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Helen Bartels, a 1924 graduate of McIntosh High School in Auburn, searches for her photo Sunday during a celebration of the closing of McIntosh Elementary School, which housed high school students until 1967.

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Hoops success 'rained goodies' on heroes of '49

One of the most successful basketball players in northeast Indiana history was sweating at the gym when I tried to reach him last week.

That might not seem surprising, except that Jim Schooley is in his late 70s these days.

Schooley exercises three times a week, two hours at a time, he said from his home in Maryland Thursday evening.

"I still get endorphins after I've worked out. You get a little payback from your body. It feels good," Schooley said.

It's been 60 years since Schooley and his Auburn High School teammates played their way into immortality by reaching the 1949 state finals.

It took 50 years for another team from our northeastern four counties to match their feat.

The Auburn Red Devils lost to eventual state champion Jasper, 53-48, in the semifinal round in '49. They got a worthy consolation prize when Schooley won the prestigious Trester Award for mental attitude.

"I think we could have won it all, because we had as good a team as anybody there, but we just had a bad game," said Roger Wertenberger of Auburn, now the retired chairman of Peoples Bancorp.

DAVE KURTZ

Usually the team's second offensive threat behind Schooley, Wertenberger came down with the flu in the week before the finals and scored only six points against Jasper.

Schooley, a lanky, red-headed center, led the Red Devils with 21 points that day. Don Derrow, still a practicing dentist in Auburn, scored seven.

"The main thing that sticks in my mind was the size of the Butler Fieldhouse," Derrow said Friday. He was used to playing in front of 2,000 or 3,000 spectators.

"You walk in, and there's 15,000 in the fieldhouse. It felt like you were outside, open air," Derrow said.

Schooley went on to play in many more huge arenas as a member of Indiana University's basketball team. He finally got his championship ring when the Hoosiers won the national college tourney in 1953.

"All of that history has just come back and rained goodies on me all my life," Schooley said last week.

The latest goody came last summer, when a wealthy alum bankrolled an IU basketball reunion at French Lick.

"Any and all basketball players and managers from IU were welcome," Schooley said. Everything was free, including a banquet and golf outing. IU's new coach, Tom Crean, posed for a photograph with every foursome.

Crean quickly made a fan of Schooley, who has cringed at watching the turmoil of IU basketball's recent past.

When Schooley spoke with Crean, "I said how much I admired that he had left what is really a dynamic program at Marquette," Schooley said.

Schooley in '49

"Crean is an ace guy. I would bet the ranch on Crean. I think he's going to succeed," Schooley said.

"We're still hootin' at the basketball games on TV," added Schooley, who watches IU games alongside Mary Alice, his wife of 56 years.

Schooley doesn't get a chance to see high school basketball, and Wertenberger says that's a mixed blessing.

"When they went to the class system — it just took enough away from it that I don't have the same enthusiasm I used to have," Wertenberger said.

However, he added, "I marvel at these kids today. They shoot better, they jump higher. … I don't think they play as good a defense as we played."

The '49 Red Devils also played a good game of life, succeeding in business and professional fields. Schooley worked as a scientist for the National Bureau of Standards.

All but two of the Red Devils are surviving, and Schooley looks forward to sharing memories at a class reunion this summer in Auburn.

"It was a kid's dream, really, getting to play with those guys and reaching the state finals," Schooley said. "All of that is like a fairy tale."

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Auburn's state finalists are still heroes of 1949

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STATE FINALISTS — The 1948-49 Auburn Red Devils compiled a 26-3 record and reached the state finals. From left are (front row) Bob Bates, Don Derrow, Jim Schooley, Ken McInturf, Roger Wertenberger; and (back row) student manager Hugh Western, Russell "Bud" McComb, Theo Webb, coach Keith Showalter, Barney Beers, Don Kelly and Ted Miller.

Hoosier hoops glory just keeps going, and going ...

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Playing on a state finals basketball team brings adulation that lasts a lifetime, members of Auburn High School's 1949 final four team said Sunday.

Five members of the team gathered for a reunion Sunday at the McIntosh School Farewell Party, in the building where they attended classes and played their games.

"It's been a wonderful life. There isn't a day that goes by, even in the wilderness of Maryland, that something doesn't happen that recalls either the people or the lessons" of the state finals season, said Jim Schooley, the team's center.

Schooley traveled from his home in Maryland, for the event, but two teammates came even farther — Barney Beers from Greensboro, N.C., and Ken McInturf from San Andreas, Calif.

Dozens of admirers squeezed into a McIntosh classroom to hear the players talk about their magic year and watch them meet Indiana's 1997 Mr. Basketball, DeKalb High School star Luke Recker of Auburn.

Roger Wertenberger of the '49 team noted that Recker also earned recognition as a McDonald's All-America. "We didn't even have McDonald's" in his high school days, joked Wertenberger, who still lives in Auburn.

But Recker and the '49 players shared the same goal, Schooley said. He told the crowd, "When I was a little kid, all I wanted to do was to go with an Auburn High team to the state finals and win it."

Schooley didn't quite grasp a state title, but he did win the Trester Award given to the top student-athlete in the final four. He later got his ring as a member of Indiana University's 1953 national championship team.

An audience member interrupted Schooley to call attention to his image on a videotape of the 1949 team, which played continuously during the event. "You're up there on the TV and you have so much beautiful red hair," she teased Schooley, who now is bald with a white beard.

The '49 teammates joshed with each other, too. As Schooley began to speak, Dr. Don Derrow of Auburn feigned falling asleep.

But the '49 team had a serious side.

McInturf recalled coach Keith Showalter's regimen of jumping rope, taking vitamins, weighing in and shooting free throws at the end of every practice.

Beers said growing up in Auburn provided the discipline required for everyone associated with the '49 team, even managers and statisticians, to become successful professionals in their careers.

"Thank you all. You helped raise us," he said to the audience.

Wertenberger said the five teammates talked about Recker when they gathered for dinner Saturday night near Auburn. He said Recker is an example of what an athlete can achieve by concentrating on a single sport.

All of the 1949 basketball players also played football and ran on the track team, Wertenberger said. "If you were on either the football or the basketball team, the coaches made you go out for track," to stay in shape, he explained.

Recker said he was honored to meet the 1949 stars. "Playing high school basketball in Indiana is something really special. I have great memories just as these guys do," he said.

Beers broke in, telling Recker, "If you keep your skills up, when you're our age you'll be able to come back and buy Auburn."

Recker will be the first local player since Schooley to take the floor for the Indiana University basketball team. Current DeKalb coach Cliff Hawkins pledged to the audience that it won't take another 48 years before the next hometown hero goes to IU.

But 48 years haven't faded the memories of that season in 1949.

Derrow said hardly a week goes by that a visitor to his dental office doesn't bring up the 1949 team.

"It just keeps going on and on and on," he said.

Nostalgic, frail Auburn gym has board in full-court fix

By Megan Hubartt
The Journal Gazette

AUBURN – In a place once home to successful boys' basketball teams, among other talented athletes, a different kind of challenge is being faced.

District officials charged with deciding the future of McIntosh Gym in Auburn opened the facility from 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday.

"We just wanted to give the community the opportunity to have a close-up of the McIntosh building," said Ken Fowble, superintendent of DeKalb Central United School District. "Many people haven't been here in years. We wanted them to see what challenges the corporation and the board have as we started contemplating the facility's future."

About 20 people from the community walked through the gym, viewing the problems. Brick walls show signs of weakness, with holes and cracks in the mortar. Paint is flaking off the walls from moisture entering through those cracks. Evidence of a sinking foundation can be seen in the girls' locker room. And, the ceiling in the boys' locker room has collapsed.

"We fear the $25,000 is being dumped down a black hole."

– Superintendent Ken Fowble, on the gym's utility costs

Robert Beaty, who graduated from Auburn High School in 1938, has many memories of the gym that was once the high school's home court. Touring the building, he recalled years of successful basketball teams he watched there. The floor used to be hardwood, and bleachers used to surround the court.

"I'm not a construction person, but I know those things can be fixed."

– Judy Knapp, 1952 graduate, Auburn High School

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"This was a nice gym," Beaty said.

When Auburn High School became McIntosh Elementary, the hardwood was replaced with an all-purpose linoleum floor, and the bleachers were removed so the gym could also be used as a cafeteria.

Other than the occasional use by Cub Scouts for a Pinewood Derby, the DeKalb High School color guard practices and the Eckhart Public Library book sale, the McIntosh gym sits empty. And district officials estimate utilities cost up to $25,000 a year.

"With the current financial climate and the energy savings the district has been promoting, we fear the $25,000 is being dumped down a black hole," Fowble said.

Judy Knapp, who graduated from Auburn High School in 1952, also has fond memories of the gym. She hopes the district doesn't tear it down.

"I'm not a construction person," Knapp said, "but I know those things can be fixed."

District officials don't disagree. The problems can be fixed, but at a price.

The school board has received estimates that repairing the structur-

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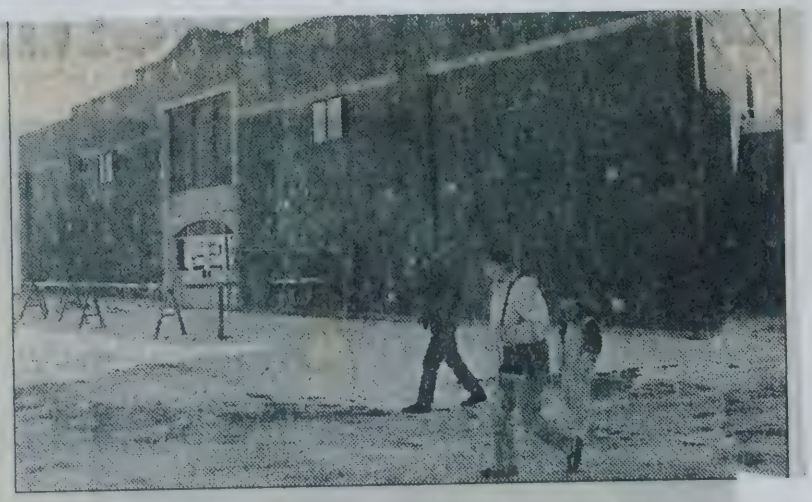
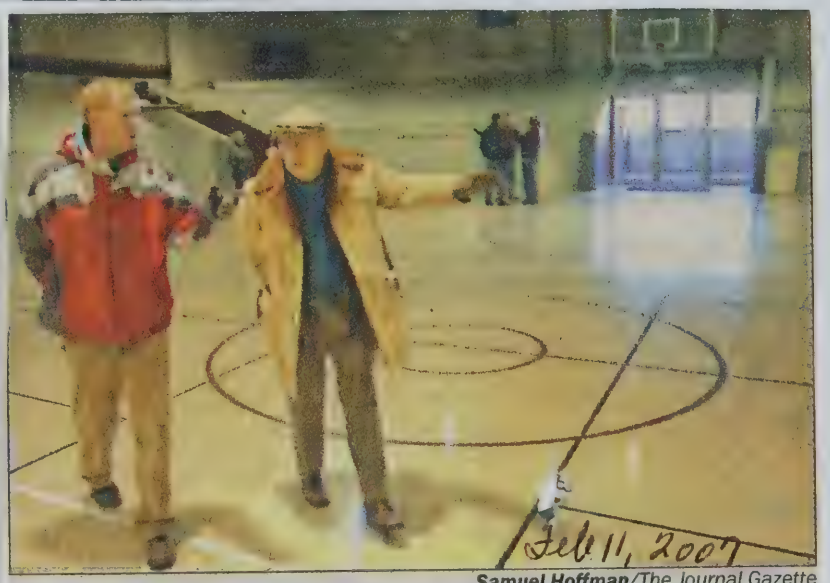
Auburn High School gym



About 20 people toured McIntosh Gym in Auburn on Saturday.

The ceiling in the boys' locker room has collapsed in a pile of rubble. The school district said preserving the gym could cost $350,000 to $450,000.



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Rod Knox, left, director of facilities for DeKalb Central schools, tours McIntosh Gym with Robert Beaty, Auburn High School class of 1938.

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The Stars

President, FRED BUTLER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Basketball 3, 4; Class Officer 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4,; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group Officer 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y Officer, 3,4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

Fred has been our class president for four years. He has been successful in everything he has tried. His jokes and athletic ability will be missed at A.H.S. next year.

Vice-President, GENE GLASS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 3, 4; Class League 2; Class Officer 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Play 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Noon League 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3; Junior Rotarian 4.

Gene is this year's humor editor. We think he is well suited to this position because of his witty responses to every one. He has a marvelous singing voice, and for our money Frankie will have some competition.

Secretary, DON L. SMOLINSKE

A.H.S 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Class Officer 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Track 4.

"Smol" has been a great asset to A.H.S. on the gridiron, the hardwood, and the cinders. Although a proud receiver of an N.E.I.C. football, his interests lie mainly in basketball. We hope his ambition to be a basketball coach will be fulfilled in future years.

Treasurer and Honor Student, ALICE KIEFFER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Chorus 2; Class Officer 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. Officer 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Honor Group 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Play 3; Librarian 3; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2; Teen-Y Officer 2.

Alice's list of accomplishments are many, but each one she has done with the diligence and perfection that may be expected of her. Much of the credit for this year's annual goes to "Butch's" able supervising. She is always ready for a good time and usually has it.

Honor Student, SUZANNE WEATHERS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Officer 2; Chorus 2; Fire Warden 1; G.A.A. 3, 4, Gitta Sereny Group 3,4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2,; Junior-Senior Play 3, 4.

"Susie's" four years in A.H.S. have earned her a galaxy of friends and honors. The Atlantic Monthly had better reserve a few open pages, because Susie's ambition lies in journalism.

Honor Student, JOAN GARNS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; G.A.A. Officer 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Officer 3, 4; Honor Group 1, 2, 3, 4; Interscholastic Group 1, 2, 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Officer 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

Jody's artistic accomplishments are something to rave about. She is well qualified to study art in college. Not only has she been an honor student, but she has a very good time with a certain 1946 graduate.

HARRY W. BALZER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 3.

Duke claims his favorite hobby is working on automobiles. His ambition is to become a flier. Stuck up women constitute Harry's pet peeve.

Honor Student, BETTY HAGGARTY

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Officer 2; Fire Warden 3, 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; G.A.A. Officer 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group Officer 4; Honor Group 1, 2, 3, 4; Interscholastic Group 1, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Librarian 2; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

Betty's bubbling personality has won her many friends in A.H.S. She's been an honor roll student all four years. Tell your troubles to Betty, for her ambition is to become a psychologist.

DANIEL W. BENDER

A.H.S. 1, 2.

Danny is one of the veterans to become an alumnus of the class of '48 by taking the GI test of the Armed Forces Institute.

WILLIAM BENNETT

A.H.S. 3, 4; A.A.A. 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Band 3; Fire Warden 4; Hi-Y 4; Noon League 3, 4.

Bill came to Auburn from Cincinnati in his junior year. Working "trig" problems seems to be a favorite pastime for Bill. M.I.T. will get quite an addition next year.

DALE BILLINGS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Leader 4; Class League 2; Fire Warden 3; Lettermen's Club 4; Noon League 2, 3, 4; Track 1.

"Chong' has been one of our cheer leaders this past year and an active noon league player. He has a habit of sleeping in civics class. He wants to become a barber.

RICHARD EUGENE BLEVINS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; F.F.A. 3, 4; F.F.A. Officer 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Noon League 1, 2, 3.

Dick's favorite hobby is keeping a scrapbook. He says his most pleasant pastime is sleeping. Dick wants to join the ranks of the farmers.

JOAN BOGER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 1; G.A.A. 2; Gitta Sereny Group 3; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

Jo is rather quiet, but she always has a happy smile. She is one of those people who thinks Garrett is a wonderful place. Jo wants to go places, and Alaska seems to be her destination.

JOHN BOWER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Class Officer 1; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Track 2, 3, 4.

John and his Ford are well known around A.H.S. Whenever there is a joke or big event, you can be sure that John is always in on it. He has proved his athletic ability on the hardwood, gridiron, and cinders these past four years.

WAYNE BOYD

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; Fire Warden 2, 3, 4; Football 2; Hi-Y 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Noon League 1, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

"Wein's" favorite hobby is running around. Maybe that's the reason he's been one of our track stars. He wants to be an electrician.

MARIAN BROWAND

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 4; G.A.A. 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

Marian has been one of the main stays of our band for four years. However, not all her time has been spent squaking a clarinet, for she has been an active member in G.A.A. and Tri-Hi-Y.

RONALD BROWN

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Officer 3; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Junior Rotarian 4.

"Possum" finds his greatest pleasure in sleeping, but you didn't find him asleep on the football field. His ambition is to become a successful basketball coach.

PAUL M. CARBAUGH

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Fire Warden 1, 2; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4.

Paul is one of our future foresters. People who keep him from eating and sleeping are not welcome. Here's wishing him luck in his battle to "Save the Shades."

HAROLD CARMER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3; Hi-Y 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Noon League 1, 4; Junior Rotarian 4.

"Buzz" wants to take up engineering and business administration after graduation. In case you wondered, it was "Buzz," who pleaded for the Annual at the football games.

RUTH CLEVENGER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 4; Fire Warden 1; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Librarian 2, 3, 4; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4.

Ruth is one of the quieter seniors, but under the quietness she has a lot of pep. She likes to read and you'll find her helping the librarians every day.

WILLIAM COX

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Officer 3; Football 2, 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4.

Bill says he is happiest when resting. However, he's proved he is not lazy on the football field and basketball floor.

BARBARA DICKENSON

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 1, 2; G.A.A. 1; Interscholastic Group 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Officer 4; Teen-Y 2; Office Help 4.

"Dickie" hates to wait for someone. Take the hint, Gene. Her favorite pastime is loafing, but we've yet to see that, for she's been quite a help in the office this year.

KENNETH EDSALL

A.H.S. 2,3,4; A.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Band, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Fire Warden 4; Football 2, 3; Noon League 3, 4.

Kenny says he's happiest when playing basketball. He would like to inherit a lot of money and is frequently seen on the back of Rohm's motorscoot.

BARBARA FOSTER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1; Commercial Group 3, 4; Fire Warden 3; G.A.A. 1, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Librarian 3; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Officer 4.

Barb has the most fun in gym class. Her giggle is well known around A.H.S. One of Mr. Gumpp's girls, she will make some employer a very wonderful secretary.

EUGENE FREDERICK

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 4; Class League 1, 2; Fire Warden 1; Football 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Lettermen's Club 4; Noon League 1, 2, 3, 4; Statistician 1; Track 1; Junior Rotarian 4.

"Freddie" is the class artist. Maybe with this ability he'll be able to gain his life's ambition—to become a millionaire.

BARBARA GONSER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Fire Warden 1, 3; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. Officer 2, 3; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Interscholastic Group 4; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2; Teen-Y Officer 2.

Barb has a mania for house parties and dancing. She is happiest when on a date, and she raves about Tex Beneke. Indiana University will receive a great asset next year in Barb's accomplishments.

DOROTHY GRAHAM

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3,; Fire Warden 2, 4; G.A.A. 1; Gitta Sereny Group 4; Interscholastic Group 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4.

Dot's dimpled grin has brightened many a class room. Purdue holds a great interest for Dorothy. She would like to go there—not necessarily as a student.

EDGAR GRIMM

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Fire Warden 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Track 3.

Ed's ability in all the sports has given him a valuable place in the minds of sport fans. Playing basketball is his main hobby. He wants to become a lawyer.

DONNER W. GROGG

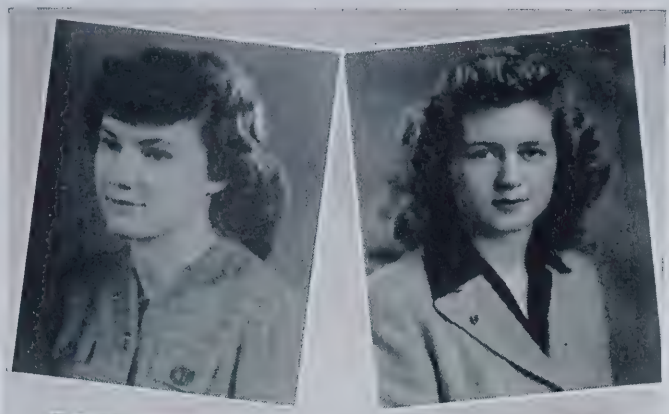
A.H.S. 1.

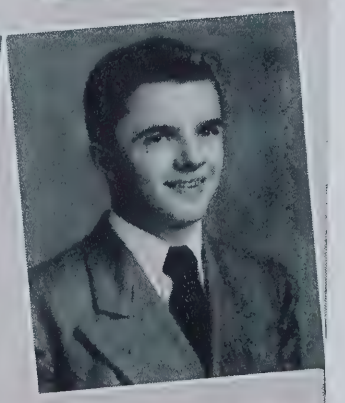
Donner has been under the command of Uncle Sam these past few years. A GE test of the U. S. Armed Forces Institute enabled him to graduate with the class of '48.

DEAN HARDY

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 3, 4.

Dean's scientific experiments have livened the east end considerably these past few years. He is also interested in photography.





CAROLE HEFFLEY

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Fire Warden 1, 3; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Honor Group 1, 3; Interscholastic Group 1; Librarian 3; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1, 2; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2; Teen-Y Officer 2.

"Shorty" has all of her five foot height brim full of personality. Having fun with a junior boy takes up quite a bit of her time. She hopes to be successful in life, and we are sure that she is on the right road to her destination.

DONNA HEFFLEY

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Home Economics Club 1, 2; Tri-Hi-Y 3.

Donna loves to go to the movies. She also collects pictures of her favorite movie stars. Her ambition is to become a secretary, and she will make a good one.

ROBERT H. HODGE

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3; Football 2.

Bob is in the Navy Reserve. His favorite hobbys are golfing and driving his little car. As you could guess, women drivers are Bob's pet peve.

EUNICE ANN JONES

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Fire Warden 3; G.A.A. 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Home Economics Club 2, 3, 4; Librarian 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4.

Eunice is a girl with a lot of patience. This will be a useful characteristic when she becomes a nurse. Any junior wanting to know how to run the junior stand just ask Eunice.

JOSEPH C. KLEEMAN

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3; Class Officer 1, 2; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Noon League 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3; Junior Rotarian 4.

Joe has supreme ability in the musical field. His trumpet has been heard in the Auburn band and Max Glass's orchestra. His ambition is in the composing field, and we've suspicions that he is heading for success.

BARBARA LEWIS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Band Sponsor 4; Chorus 2, 3; G.A.A. 2; Interscholastic Group 3; Junior-Senior Play 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Officer 4.

Barb has a smile and something to say to everybody. Hubbard's Drug Store is her hobby. She's been the Associate Editor for the annual and also band sponsor this year.

ROBERT MANON

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2; Hi-Y 3, 4; Hi-Y Officer 4; Interscholastic Group 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Noon League 4; Statistician 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

Sebastian loves to tell jokes. He did a good job this year as statistician. The track team will lose a good man when Sebastian graduates this year.

RICHARD MARTIN

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; Commercial Group 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3; Junior Rotarian 4.

Dick claims he knows the easiest way to make a fortune. Say girls, here is your chance, and he's cute, too! Aeronautical engineering holds first place for his career.

PAUL E. MERRIMAN

A.H.S. 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 2; Fire Warden 2, 3; Gitta Sereny Group 4; Hi-Y 4; Honor Group 3; Noon League 2, 4.

Paul came to A.H.S. in his sophomore year from Fort Wayne. Look out, you future home owners, Paul is going to be an architect.

GEORGE M. OLINGER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; Fire Warden 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Noon League 1, 2, 3, 4.

Bud has been one of our football players. His beautiful kicks have made many points for our undefeated season. We hope he'll be as successful running the Citizen's Lumber Company.

JOAN PALMER

A.H.S. 1,2,3,4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 3; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y Officer 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

"Jo" has become quite famous in the school for her dancing, being our drum major, and her giggle. She'll make some businessman a wonderful secretary.

JOAN PARRETT

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Home Economics Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4

Jo's quiet thoughtfullness has won her many friends around A.H.S. Her favorite hobby is singing, and she hopes that singing will be her life's work.

JACK REFNER

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 3.

Jack has been another of the F.F.A. boys. He wants to use this knowledge in becoming a forest ranger. He says he's happiest when day dreaming about a certain senior girl.

IRVIN H. RHOADS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Football Manager 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Interscholastic Group 4; Lettermen's Club 4; Noon League 1, 4; Track 2, 3; Junior Rotarian 4.

Irvin has been our assistant advertising manager for the annual this year. He likes to read and wants to be like Einstein when he graduates.

DON A. RICE

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Cheer Leader 4; Class League 1, 2; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Noon League 1, 2, 3, 4; Stamp and Bond Salesman 1; Track 1.

"Two-gun" has been in his element this year because his hobby is photography, and he's been taking snaps for the annual. He's done a good job as one of our cheer leaders this year.

PAUL E. RODECAP

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Noon League 1, 3, 4; Track Manager 4.

Paul hopes to join the retired millionaires club, although right now having a good time seems to be his hobby. He belongs to the Rodecap, Rohm, and Sink Scooter Club.

DAVID L. ROHM

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 1; Fire Warden 1; Football 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Noon League 1, 4.

If you see a motor scooter go by, it's probably Dave. He's one of "Zeke's" men although he thinks Frank Weathers would make a fine comedian.

BOB SCOTT

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Basketball 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Interscholastic Group 2; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

"Skip" is another one of our stars in all sports. Not only his ability as an athlete, but his jokes will be missed in A.H.S. next year.

FORREST SCOTT

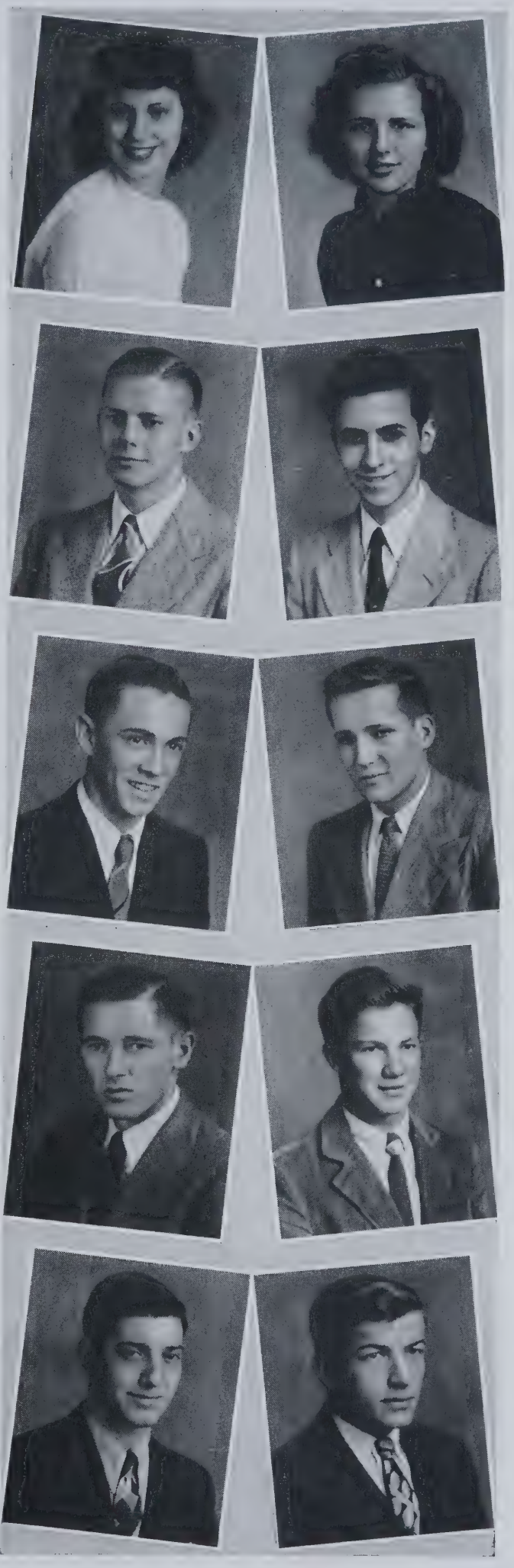
A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 2, 3, 4; F.A.A. 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 4; Lettermen's Club 4; Track 3, 4.

Forrest is the lad who makes many points for Auburn in the shot put. His ambition is to throw the "shot" fifty feet. He says that he is another boy who gets his recreation by sleeping.

RICHARD E. SEIGEL

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Fire Warden 1, 2; Hi-Y 3, 4; Honor Group 1, 3; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Noon League 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

"Dick' is one of the "brains" in the senior class. As business manager of the annual, he's done a grand job. Dick's favorite hangout is in Garrett.



PATRICIA J. SEYMOUR

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1,2, 4; Gitta Sereny Groups 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

Pat's been an active member of Tri-Hi-Y and Teen-Y. Her favorite pastime is listening to records.

EDWIN DALE SINK

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Class League 2; Football 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Junior-Senior Play 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Librarian 3; Noon League 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

Dale is another scooter club member. His pet peeve is girls who cry when they talk. Originally from California, Dale has found many friends in A.H.S.

HELEN ELIZABETH SMITH

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 1, 2; Fire Warden 1, 2; G.A.A. 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Junior-Senior Play 3, 4; Librarian 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2; Teen-Y Officer 2.

Betsy hopes to be a kindergarten teacher. She says her pet peeve is teachers, but she is going to be different, we guess. Her hobby is having fun, and you would believe it if you've ever seen her frequent escapades with the crowd.

PATRICIA STEBING

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; Gitta Sereny Group 3, 4; Home Economics Club 1; Fire Warden 1.

"Squeak" is a little girl, but she has the ability to carry out big ideas. She dislikes all snobs. Next year, she hopes to be a secretary.

JACK E. THOMAS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball Manager 4; Class Officer 1, 3; Fire Warden 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y Officer 2, 4; Lettermen's Club 2; 3, 4; Noon League 4; Track 2, 3, 4.

Jack is the other half of the inseparable "Riebe" brothers, consisting of Don Smolinske and himself. Science is his great interest and he aspires to become a bacteriologist. He also had the honor of being first string center for our undefeated football team.

EUGENE M. WATTIER

A.H.S. 1, 2.

Gene left A.H.S. for the Army life when he was drafted after his sophomore year. His exceptional basketball playing has been well remembered by all who know him.

MARION WEBB

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Noon League 3, 4.

"Webby" likes to travel around in a big green Buick. He's always happy when summer comes around. Webby would like to be a Superintendent of Dog Shows.

BETTE WELLS

A.H.S. 1, 2, 3, 4; A.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Commercial Group 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 3, 4; Tri-Hi-Y 3, 4; Teen-Y 1, 2.

Bette is an outstanding girl athlete, and she would like to become a gym teacher. Besides sports, Bette collects records of the Ink Spots.

JACK F. WHITACRE

A.H.S. 1, 2.

Jack is another of the veterans who have taken the GE test to become a graduate this year.

PATRICIA WHITE

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Pat likes music and dancing. She's been one of the majorettes for three years. Pat would like to go into radio work. Garrett rates first with her, too.

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